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WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Popular Movement to Sustain the President.

Departure of Secretaries Seward and Denison to Attend the Meeting To-night.

They will Speak in Defence of the President's Veto Message.

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Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 1.

THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION.

Great interest is felt here in the meeting called to-morrow night in New-York to sustain the President. Secretary SEWARD left here in the 4 o'clock train for Philadelphia, where he will stay to-night and go to New-York in the morning. Postmaster-General DENISON goes to-night with Mr. RAYMOND. Hon. R. M. PRUYN, Gen. ROUSSEAU, Hon. GREEN CLAY SMITH and some others will go in the morning, all to attend the meeting. Mr. SEWARD will positively speak. In conversation with a member of Congress to-day, the President said there was nothing in his message which contradicted any principle the Union Party had ever asserted; but that no party which ignored the principles laid down in the message could possibly stand with the American people. They are the fundamental principles of the Government, and must be recognized and acknowledged. If the Union Party is a patriotic and constitutional party, it will not discard them or those who hold them. It is believed that the New-York meeting will be influential in calming the public mind and leading to more dispassionate action.

SOUTHERN REPRESENTATION.

The concurrent resolution reported by the Joint Committee on Reconstruction, about which the House was in labor yesterday, and which that body passed last night, was called up in the Senate, this afternoon, by Mr. FESSENDEN, who urged immediate action. Several Senators, among them Messrs. DIXON and COWAN, suggested that this resolution, although called "concurrent," should be treated as an original resolution of the Senate, and that, therefore, the twenty-sixth rule applies, and the resolution goes over until another day. The presiding officer was of that opinion also, and so ruled. Some sharp debate was provoked by the remarks of Mr. FESSENDEN, who was anxious to put the resolution through, instantly, if possible, and he indulged in rather severe reflections upon Mr. COWAN and others, who desired that the resolution should be printed, and time given for cool, calm, dispassionate consideration of the measure. It was urged by those who asked for delay that Senators did not fully appreciate the hazard involved in coming to a sudden conclusion, and in heat, upon the important proposition. Mr. FESSENDEN sarcastically remarked that what was a few days ago considered two-thirds of that body, had some patriotism left, and knew what is good for the people, and they did not stand in need of warning from the Pennsylvania Senator. He regarded the question as involving the right of Congress to exercise its deliberate judgment in determining the process of reconstruction. It was also a question as to the proper time for action, and he regarded this as the proper moment. It was now the proper time to assert that Senators are not mere nobodies. Mr. FESSENDEN's remarks were somewhat acrimonious in tone. Mr. COWAN retorted, and suggested that there was no necessity for the indecorous language of the Senator from Maine. He believed the Senators who desired to discuss this most important measure had the interests of the country as much at heart as those who desired to thrust this new bantling of the Committee of Fifteen through the Senate, in the heat and haste with which it had been thrust through the House, and he could not be moved a hair's-breadth by Mr. FESSENDEN's denunciation. [Slight applause in the galleries.]

It was transparent that the purpose of Mr. FESSENDEN was to drive the resolution through at once, but the rulers of the Senate, unlike those of the House, will not permit the application of the gag or previous question to cut off discussion; and so the gentlemen who sought this opportunity to rebuke the Executive and punish the loyal Tennesseeans on account of the President's veto, failed of their purpose, and the resolution goes over, in the language of Mr. FESSENDEN, to be discussed *ad libitum*, in season and out of season, in ideas and out of ideas.

THE LOAN BILL.

The Loan Bill was considered to-day, and speeches made upon it by Messrs. MORRILL, HOOPER and KELLY. Mr. MORRILL supported the bill, while Mr. KELLY opposed it. Mr. HOOPER made an interesting historical financial speech, and advocated the funding of interest-bearing legal tender first, before the United States notes were touched. Considerable opposition is developing to the bill, and its passage is doubtful. Mr. MCCULLOCH adheres firmly to his views as heretofore indicated. Mr. STEVENS offered a substitute for the bill, which gives the Secretary exactly the same and no more power than is conferred by the act of March 3, 1865.

APPLAUDING IN THE GALLERIES.

It appears that one of the usages of theatricals and aspirants for histrionic fame, has been introduced in the Senate galleries. Mr. SHERMAN, on moving this afternoon that the Sergeant-at-Arms and his deputies be directed to arrest anybody who shall hereafter indulge in applause or hisses in the Senate hall, stated that it had been observed generally that the applause was started by two or three special individuals, and the audience took the cue apparently upon the provocation of these claquers. The Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to arrest the offenders at sight, without waiting for the order of the presiding officer. Mr. HOOPER this afternoon, made an attempt to pass the resolution of the Committee on Ways and Means, declaring that it is inexpedient to make any change in the excise duty on distilled spirits, but objection was made by Mr. JOHNSON, of Pennsylvania, and the resolution goes over till next Monday.

THE INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPH.

On Monday last a resolution was passed in the House, directing the Secretary of the Navy to furnish a Government vessel to aid in constructing the submarine telegraphic communication between the Eastern and Western continents. It was the general impression at the time the resolution was passed, that it was reported upon authority of the Committee on Foreign relations, but Mr. BANKS explained yesterday that that Committee had not considered the matter. Some remarks were made by Mr. STEVENS, indicating that the Navy Department had stubbornly refused to comply with the spirit of a former resolution, which authorized the Secretary to place a vessel at the disposal of the corporation or company having the enterprise in charge. The Secretary of the navy. Upon being advised of Mr. STEVENS' allegations, at once commenced the preparation of a statement of the facts, and of the impossibility without detriment to the public interests of heretofore complying with the strict letter of the authorization, but before his statement could be made out and handed into the Senate, the managers of the company or their representatives here had the House resolution reported to the Senate, and that body passed it this afternoon. The Secretary's report will, nevertheless, be presented, and it is understood that he will make a showing which will not only excuse him from blame, but perhaps put such a face on the affair as to cause the resolution to be nullified. It is claimed that interested parties who are making a large sum for obtaining the passage of the resolution, have successfully pulled the wool over the eyes of Congressmen, and when the real facts become known, the vision of members will be sufficiently clear to enable them to see the cat under the meal.

AN EMPEROR ON A GUNBOAT.

Commodore ROGERS informs the Navy Department, in a dispatch dated Jan. 8, 1866, that the Emperor of Brazil visited the monitor *Monadnock* on that day, gave the vessel a critical examination, and seemed well pleased with it. The Commodore reports the arrival of the fleet at Rio Janeiro on the 3d inst., having left Bahia on the 30th of December. The *Tuscarora* arrived on the 4th, and the *Powhatan* on the 6th inst. Lieut.-Commander BUNCE, of the *Monadnock*, states the average number of knots per hour made by that vessel in ots trip from Bahia to Rio Janeiro was 7.62; the greatest distance run in 24 hours being 178.1 (178 1-10) knots; the least 152.6.

RESIGNATION.

Mr. HASBAURCK, Minister to Ecuador, has sent in his resignation to the State Department. Already there are four or five candidates for the succession, all from Ohio. Among the aspirants are two members of the Ohio Legislature, namely, Messrs. STANTON and NIXON.

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Gov. SMITH, of Vermont, the President of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, with several members of the Executive, have been in this city for the last week, for the purpose of having a conference with prominent gentlemen here in reference to the measure, which will secure the immediate commencement upon that line. Among other subjects which have had careful consideration is a system of emigration, more elaborate and complete, perhaps, than has been developed in the United States, for the purpose of settling the new territories of the Northwest with a hardy and industrious foreign population.

THE INDIANA ELECTION CASE.

The contested election case of WASHBURNE *vs.* VOORHEES, from the Seventh Indiana District, came up to-day, when Mr. DAWES, from the Committee of Elections, spoke forcibly in support of the majority report of the Committee, showing the grounds upon which the claim of the contestant was based, which is fraud in the ballot-box. The case went over until Friday, when the minority report will be heard. It is understood that Mr. VOORHEES will make a vigorous fight for his seat.

PENNSYLVANIA POLITICS.

Advices received here from Pennsylvania render it certain that Gen. GRABY will receive the nomination for the Governorship of that State with little opposition.

CONFIRMATION.

The Senate, in Executive Session to-day, confirmed the nomination of EDINGTON FULTON to be Surveyor of Customs for thr District of Baltimore.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Agent D. E. WEBB, accompanied by ten of the leading chiefs and head men of the Bois and of the Chippewas of Lake Superior were at the Indian Bureau today, and had a short interview with Commissioner COOLLE. It is probable that a treaty will be entered into with them in the course of a few days.

VISITORS TO THE WHITE HOUSE.

The number of callers at the Executive Mansion to-day was quite large, including many ladies. A few members of Congress were present, and among them Senators COWAN, NIXON and DOOLITTLE.

HONORS TO GOV. FENTON.

Senator HARRIS gave an entertainment to-night, in especial honor to Gov. FENTON. There were present members of the Cabinet, the Congressional delegation from New-York, and a number of Senators formerly of that State, together with lady members of their families and prominent citizens of New-York who are temporarily sojourning in Washington.

CASE OF CONSCIENCE.

A letter was received at the Treasury Department inclosing $190 in greenbacks, the result of one of the most curious cases of conscientious scruples which has yet come under the observation of the department. It was from a late officer in the army, who while in the service, received pay for two servants, to which the rank he held clearly and legally entitled him, but to which the party considered he had no just claim. The amount returned to the Government was the pay received for the commuted hire of one of the servants, with the interest added at 7.30 per cent.

RELIEF OF FREEDMEN.

The following statement shows the number of rations issued to refugees and freedmen in the hereinafter mentioned States during the month of December last:

States.	Refugees.	Freedmen.
North Carolina	28	10,628
Virginia	—	6,765
Georgia	59	13,407
South Carolina	75	3,340
Alabama	1,330	1,227
Mississippi	221	411
Kentucky and Tennessee	—	1,151
Arkansas and Missouri	645	528
Louisiana	19	878
Texas	3	16
District of Columbia	—	1,379
Total	2,378	39,689

Total number of rations issued: 65,967 to refugees; 434,768 to freedmen.

PUBLIC LANDS.

Representative MOULTON, Chairman of the House Committee on Public Lands, to-day reported from that committee a very important bill providing for the sale of the gold and silver lands of the United States. The following is a brief summary of its provisions:

Section 1—Provides for the sale of such lands after six months' weekly publication of the notice of sale in some newspaper of general circulation published nearest the land; the sale to be at public auction, and the notice to contain a full description of the location of the land, character and quality of minerals, nature of the deposits in which they are found, general features of the country, &c.

SEC. 2. Provides that the public sales shall be open two weeks, during which no private sales shall be allowed. It also provides that should full, fair and free competition be prevented at any public sale, the title thus acquired by persons thus preventing such fair competition shall be void, whether patents for the land shall have been issued or not. It further provides that none but citizens of the United States, or those who have declared their intention to become such, shall be allowed to purchase, and that all lands remaining unsold after the public sales shall be open to private entry.

Section 3 provides that the Surveyor General for the proper district shall prepare plots of subdivisions of such lands according to the plan of subdivision now recognized by law, repeating the process until the lots shall be deemed of fit size, which shall be numbered as sections and reported as townships.

Section 4 provides for the appointment of a geologist for each land district, who shall thoroughly explore the lands therein containing valuable minerals, and report the size of the subdivisions judged proper to enable the purchaser to work his mine to advantage, and giving full description of the character of such lands and the minerals founds in them, and report to be made to the General Land Office and the local land offices.

Section 5—Provides that the discoverer of worker of any mine or lead or deposit of mineral, shall have the right to purchase it at the minimum price fixed upon it. Proof of the discovery or of working the mine shall be made to the register, receiver and geologist, or any two of them, by the affidavit of the party or of two respectable disinterested witnesses.

Section 6—Provides that the register and receiver in connection with the geologist, shall classify the lands with reference to their value and the sub-divisions deemed necessary to accommodate miners, &c., and report the same to the Surveyor-General and the general land officer, giving the minimum price that should be fixed on said lands. No person shall purchase more than twenty acres, nor enter a second tract without selling the first at public sale to the highest bidder in cash.

Section seven provides that the President of the United States may lay off the mineral regions into assaying and coining districts, having reference to the mints now established, and requires the mineral to be assayed and coined in said districts under strict penalties.

Section eight provides that the purchaser of said lands shall take the oath of loyalty to the United States as required by law.

Section nine provides that the proceeds of the sales of such lands shall be applied to the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds of the United States.

Section 10 provides that the Secretary of the Interior may designate and set apart such of said lands as may prove to be agricultural to which preemption or homestead right shall not have attached.

Section 11 provides that anomalous surveys, or those not made according to the established rules of the Government, shall be authorized when the convenience of settlers may best be consulted, by recognizing their lines and divisions; said anomalous surveys to be properly connected by lines, courses, &c., with the rectangular surveys. The reasons for departing from the rectangular system are to be plain in each case.

Section 12 provides that the President may increase the number of land districts, appoint the necessary offices, fix the boundaries and appoint additional geologists when necessary.

Section 13 repeals all laws inconsistent with this act.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

THANKS TO OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Mr. WILSON introduced the following joint resolution, which was referred to the Military Committee:

Resolved, That it is the duty and privilege of Congress to express the gratitude of the nation to the officers, soldiers and seamen of the United States, by whose valor and endurance on the land and on the sea, the rebellion has been crushed, and its pride and power humbled; by whose fidelity to the cause of freedom the Government of the people has been preserved and maintained; and by whose orderly return from the field and flood of civil war to the peaceful pursuits of private life, the exalting and ennobling influences of free institutions upon a nation have been signally manifested to the world.

FEMALE SUFFRAGE.

Mr. HENDERSON presented the petition of women of New-York, asking for the right of suffrage. Accompanying this petition was a letter to Mr. HENDERSON, from the signers, expressing astonishment at the views on this subject recently expressed by Messrs. YATES and SUMNER, especially from such a champion of equal rights as the latter gentleman.

Mr. HENDERSON was proceeding with a few remarks on the subject of the petition, when he was called to order by Mr. SAULSBURY, who said it was not in order for one who had lived an old bachelor so long as Mr. HENDERSON to discuss the question of women's rights. (Laughter.)

Mr. YATES, at the conclusion of Mr. HENDERSON's remarks, said: I wish to ask the Senator from Missouri a question. I understand him to be in favor of amending the Constitution, so that hereafter no State shall be no distinction on account of color; will he accept an amendment to that proposition that there shall be no distinction on account of sex? I ask the Senator from Missouri whether he will accept that amendment.

Mr. HENDERSON—I have given my views on that question very distinctly. If the Senator had listened to the latter part of my remarks, he would not have to ask the question. I do not think, upon the mere presentation of the petition, he is in order to discuss the merits of the petition; therefore, I hope he will not persist in his question.

Mr. SUMNER—I simply desire to say that I am not proposing to amend the Constitution. I simply desire to give, by act of Congress, rights to those who have rights already under the Constitution as already amended. When I propose to amend the Constitution the question will come up whether I will be in favor of giving the right of suffrage to women.

Mr. SUMNER—I wish to make one observation. The Senator began by an allusion to myself, and the remarks which fell from me the other day on presenting a petition from women of the United States, calling for the ballot. I took occasion then to remark that, in my opinion, the petition at that time was not judicious. That is what I said. I did not then express, I did not have any opinion on the great question whether woman should vote or should not vote. I did venture to say that in my opinion it was not judicious for them at this moment to bring forward their claims, so as to compromise in any way the great question of equal rights for an enfranchised race, which is now before Congress. The Senator has read from a letter a suggestion that I did not present the petition in a creditable way. I have to felicitate my excellent friend in the very creditable way in which he has presented the petition.

Mr. YATES—Allow me to suggest that when two gentlemen arrive at the age, one of forty-nine and the other of sixty-three, without testifying their appreciation of woman by getting married, they have no right to discuss the question of woman's rights in the Senate. [Laughter.]

INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION.

Mr. SUMNER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported the House joint resolution to encourage and facilitate telegraphic communication between the Eastern and Western Continents, which was passed. It instructs the Secretary of the Navy to detail a steam vessel of war, from the Pacific Squadron or elsewhere, to assist in making surveys and soundings in that part of the Pacific coast, both of America and Asia, where it is proposed to establish the said telegraph in laying the submarine cable, and giving other needed assistance to the enterprise.

The resolution goes back to the House for concurrence in certain verbal amendments adopted by the Senate.

SERVICES ON THE DEATH OF H. W. DAVIS.

Mr. WADE moved that when the Senate adjourn today, it adjourn to meet on Friday next, so as to give Senators an opportunity to be present at the memorial services on the death of HENRY WINTER DAVIS, in the Hall of the House of Representatives tomorrow. It was adopted.

THE QUESTION OF SOUTHERN REPRESENTATION.

At 1 o'clock Mr. FESSENDEN rose and moved that the regular order, which was the Constitutional Amendment on the subject of representation be postponed, and that the Senate pass to the consideration of the House concurrent resolution declaring that no Senator or Representative from any State, lately in rebellion, shall be admitted into either House until Congress shall have declared such States to be entitled to representation.

Mr. BUCKALEW, (Dem.,) who was entitled to the floor on the Constitutional Amendment, objected to the consideration of the resolution named by Mr. FESSENDEN. He held that it was necessary first to refer it to a committee.

The Chair Mr. FOSTER, decided that the motion of Mr. FESSENDEN was in order.

Mr. BUCKALEW desired to inquire whether a reconsideration of the House did not require reference to a committee.

The Chair said it was in order to move to take up the resolution. When it was before the body it would be in order to move to refer it.

Mr. DOOLITTLE desired to state that the Senator from Pennsylvania, Mr. BUCKALEW, was entitled to the floor, and expected to address the Senate on the Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. FESSENDEN—I can retain the floor and address the Senate when that question comes up again.

Mr. BUCKALEW wished to state that he did not make the remarks he had made with a view to his own speech. On his own account he cared nothing. He called for the yeas and nays on the motion to take up the House concurrent resolutions.

Mr. FESSENDEN reiterated that Mr. BUCKALEW could retain the floor. He could address the Senate when the subject upon which he wished to speak was called up.

Mr. SHERMAN suggested that Mr. FESSENDEN had better let Mr. BUCKALEW proceed with his speech, and let the concurrent resolution come up afterwards.

Mr. BUCKALEW said he was entirely indifferent on his own account.

Mr. DIXON—I rise to a point of order whether under the twenty-sixth rule this resolution must not lie over one day.

The CHAIR—It is in order to proceed to the consideration of the resolution called for by the Senator from Maine. It can receive but one reading, except by common consent.

Mr. SUMNER—Allow me to ask the Chair whether a concurrent resolution need be read more than once.

The CHAIR—The Chair is not advised of the character of the resolution.

Mr. COWAN—I would suggest that the resolution be read.

The resolution was then read as it passed the House yesterday.

Mr. COWAN—I think the resolution had better go over to give us time to consider it and read it.

The CHAIR—The question is upon taking up the resolution. It is not now before the Senate.

Mr. COWAN—I cannot say certain that this is not the most important resolution ever offered in this body. I cannot conceive anything myself of more importance than that we should decide, upon the spur of the moment, that States shall be shut out of this Union without debate, and without due consideration. It may be that Senators have made up their minds to this. I cannot say that it has been determined. But, certainly, I think that no man who desires the permanence of this Union ought to desire to push it after the struggle we have made for the Union—after the dead have been buried, and after the cost has been found out. Are we to determine here, as the Chicago Convention determined, that this war was a failure, and that this Union cannot be restored? I think the resolution at least deserves the careful, cool, deliberate and dispassionate consideration of this body. Senators will remember how many people have stakes in this thing—how many people in this country and other countries. What the hazard may be in coming to a determination of this kind, I think certainly the Senator from Maine (Mr. FESSENDEN) would not desire a resolution of this kind to pass without at least that consideration which becomes wise and temperate men, invested with a high and solemn trust. I say I think no man will declare that this resolution should pass through this body suddenly and in haste and heat, or without that careful consideration that the magnitude of the subject demands. Let, therefore, reason and calmness govern the present. Let us think over it, and consider it and read it.

Mr. FESSENDEN—One would imagine, Mr. President, that the importance of these questions, and attachment to the Union, and the proper consideration of all matters relating thereto, were exclusively confined to the breast of the honorable Senator from Pennsylvania. From the solemnity of his tone, and the manner in which he addresses the Senate upon that subject, one would suppose that the great majority of the Senate, composing, as it was though a day or two ago, something over two-thirds of the body, had really a little attachment for the union of the States, and a little power of considering what was best for the United States of America, and a reasonable degree of patriotism which should lead them to consider all these questions with care, and with all that deliberation which belong to them. Sir, we do not need the warnings of the Senator from Pennsylvania. I do not need them for myself, and I do not believe others need them. The question submitted in that resolution is a very simple one. It is a question whether Congress has any power in relation to the great question of Reconstruction and restoring the Union to its former condition; whether it has any power except simply to judge a man who presents himself here with credentials from any portion of the country in due form; whether the Congress of the United States—Senators elected by the States, and Representatives elected by the people of the States—have or have not something to do with the reorganization of this Government to its former shape; whether they are anything more than mere tools and instruments to look at papers and decide whether they are in due form; or whether they have a right to bring their deliberate judgment to the consideration of all great questions. Now, Sir, these questions should be considered deliberately, with care, and with all the time that is necessary, in order to understand them well and decide well. I agree with the gentleman that all that time should be given. The rules of this body are such that all that time must necessarily be given. Every member of this body may speak *ad libitum* in season and out of season, in breadth and out of breadth, in ideas and out of ideas, as we have sometimes witnessed in this body. The rules allow that, and we cannot control the rules; and it has never occurred in my day that a question of race or color, shall be excluded from enumeration for the purpose of representation in the lower House of Congress. This is a penal amendment—a decision by Congress that to withhold negro suffrage for any cause is a criminality, for which punishment shall be inflicted by three-fourths of the States upon the remainder.

After an elaborate answer to the arguments which have been advanced in favor of this amendment, Mr. BUCKALEW proceeded to state the general objections to submitting constitutional amendments adopted by Congress to the States at this time, which are as follows:

First—That eleven States are unrepresented in Congress.

Second—That amendments now adopted will be partisan ones.

Third—That this is a war Congress, the members of which were not chosen with any reference to the subject of constitutional amendments.

Fourth—That the amendments are submitted to the Legislatures now in session, and not to the people or popular Conventions. Neither in submitting them nor in adopting them are the people to act directly. They are not even to choose the members of their Legislatures with reference to the question of ratification of the amendments.

Fifth—That in submitting amendments now, we invite a distinct question upon the amount of legislative assent necessary to their adoption, and if ratified by less than three-fourths of all the States, their validity will be denied; but, if amendments are to be proposed, the whole subject must be opened. Senatorial representation must be corrected, and it would be exceedingly desirable also that personal representation should be introduced in electing members of Congress. The plan expounded by Mr. HARE, of England, and warmly indorsed by JOHN STUART MILL, deserves the study of every American statesman. It applies thoroughly to our principles of government by the people, and its adoption would be one of the greatest possible improvements in our representative system.

At the conclusion of Mr. BUCKALEW's remarks, Mr. ANTHONY rose to say in relation to what he, Mr. BUCKALEW, had said about New-England influence in the Senate, that Senators had been promoted always on committees in regular order of seniority, very much as they do in the House, and all the sneer made on the ground of a Senator coming from any particular section, but on the sole ground of seniority. The oldest member of a committee belonging to the majority party was always made the chairman. When he (Mr. ANTHONY) came to the Senate there was not a New-England man at the head of a committee.

Mr. WILSON also replied briefly to Mr. BUCKALEW's strictures upon New-England prominence in the Senate, after which Mr. NYE took the floor on the pending question, but gave way to Mr. SUMNER, who moved an Executive session, soon after which the Senate adjourned till Friday next.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

THE RESOLUTION ON SOUTHERN REPRESENTATION.

Mr. GARFIELD caused to be read a telegram from Columbus, Ohio, last night, giving the resolution unanimously passed by the Union members of the Legislature in caucus, "That in the action of the Union Representatives in Congress we recognize an exposition of the principles that made us a party, and saved our country through the late rebellion, and we tender such Representatives our hearty support."

Mr. STEVENS inquired whether the resolution was passed after the action of the House last night on the resolution that no Senator or Representative shall be admitted into either branch of Congress from any of the eleven States which have been declared in insurrection until Congress shall have declared such State entitled to such representation.

Mr. GARFIELD replied that the resolution was passed by the Union members of the Ohio Legislature last night.

Mr. STEVENS said that yesterday he moved to reconsider and lay on the table the vote by which that resolution was passed. This was for the purpose of enabling gentlemen who were then absent to record their votes.

The vote was taken, and the motion of Mr. STEVENS was laid on the table by yeas 108, nays 37.

THE DUTY ON SPIRITS.

Mr. HOOPER, of Massachusetts, asked leave to report from the Committee on Ways and Means a resolution unanimously agreed to by them, declaring it is the sense of the House that it is inexpedient to make any change in the excise duty on distilled spirits.

Mr. ELDRIDGE, of Wisconsin, objected to the introduction of the resolution.

THE RUSSIAN AND AMERICAN TELEGRAPH.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, desired the floor for a moment, to call the attention of the House to the act of the Russian and American Telegraph Company, but objection was made.

Mr. STEVENS sportively said they had better not act upon the subject now, as eleven States were absent, and they had better wait till they are represented.

THE COST OF PUBLIC PRINTING LAST YEAR.

Mr. LAFLIN offered a resolution that the head of each department be directed to inform Congress the cost of printing and paper, each, for the year 1865.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, said that the gentleman (Mr. LAFLIN) might obtain the information more readily by calling upon the Superintendent of Public Printing.

Mr. LAFLIN said that the call for information included printing outside of what was executed by the Superintendent.

Mr. STEVENS said the gentleman should add "and what are the expenses of printing pardons?" He merely made the suggestion.

The resolution was adopted.

THE INDIANA ELECTION CASE.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the Indian contested election case of HENRY D. WASHBURNE against DANIEL W. VOORHEES.

Mr. VOORHEES (Dem.) said he never saw the report of the Committee until last night. He wanted to know what was the programme of the gentleman from Massachusetts, (DAWES,) but was, nevertheless, ready at any time to enter upon the case.

Mr. DAWES said that if the gentleman was ready why did he catechise him? He would endeavor to treat him and all the House with the utmost liberality.

Mr. VOORHEES explained, that what he meant was that he would not shrink from the subject.

Mr. DAWES said he would be ready to close the case to-day. He made some remarks in support of the report of the Committee, which concludes with a resolution that Mr. VOORHEES is not entitled to a seat in this House as a Representative from the Seventh Congressional District of Indiana in the Thirty-ninth Congress; also, a resolution that HENRY D. WASHBURNE is entitled to the seat.

Mr. MARSHALL, (Dem.,) of the minority of the Committee, said that members had not had time to read the reports and consider the important principles involved.

Mr. VOORHEES said that any arrangement which the gentleman might make——

Mr. DAWES here suggested, and the House postponed the further consideration of the question until Friday next.

THE LOAN BILL.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the special order, being the Loan Bill heretofore reported from the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. MORRILL said that it was not in order to allude to what had recently taken place in the Senate, but happen what may, the Union men will not forget they have a country to save. The measure under consideration may be called the apple of the eye—the public credit. It was proposed to pledge not only our past accumulations and resources, but prospectively the wealth of 36,000,000 people, who earn more annually than any other nation of 50,000,000 of the globe, in order to carry a loan on favorable terms. The present bill was only a patch on an old garment, extending the act of March 3, 1865, so as to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury, at his discretion, to receive any Treasury notes or other obligations issued under any act of Congress, whether bearing interest or not, in exchange for any description of bonds authorized by the act to which this is a supplement. The bill, it is true, conferred large powers, but it merely substituted a new debt for an old one. Our entire debt cannot be increased a single dollar. It was known that the Secretary of the Treasury contemplated a return to specie payments at the earliest practicable day. We have been fortunate in our Secretaries of the Treasury during the past five years, one of whom was called to occupy the highest judicial station in the country. It was a relief to the loyal people when his successor (Mr. FESSENDEN) was appointed, commanding as he did so much of the public confidence. These men asked and received all they wanted from Congress, and did not betray their trust; and now we have a Secretary of the Treasury in Mr. MCCULLOCH who occupies no paradise of ambition to any man, and whose conduct has won golden opinions at home and abroad, and a vote of unexampled unanimity on the part of this House. His highest ambition seemed to be that of a financier. This bill gave to him the same power as was bestowed on his predecessors. Our present debt is two thousand seven hundred and sixteen millions of dollars, leaving one thousand and fifty-seven millions of it to be funded. Let no one decide the fact that all our financial dangers are not yet passed. The perils of high rates of interest, and even commercial revulsions may overtake us, unless our affairs are managed with consummate skill. If we give the Secretary of the Treasury the power confided by this bill, it may be of more worth to us than to him. If Congress shall pursue a course of due economy in their appropriations as he, (MORRILL) they would and will reduce the military establishment, within a reasonable time we may hope that the public debt had reached its maximum. The Secretary hopes to get along without loans for the present year. If it should be considered necessary hereafter to resort to war, Congress would have time enough to act upon the subject the close of the present session. A gradual extinction of the public debt should and will be carried on. Owing to the treachery of those who engaged in treason and rebellion, the entire receipts for the year ending June 30, 1861, were only $41,474,000. But the measures adopted by Union men, amid all the embarrassments surrounding them, changed these figures, in 1865, to $112,000,000: to more than twice this amount in 1864, or $264,000,000, and in 1865 to $333,000,000, while the actual and estimated receipts of the present year are $453,000,000, and over $500,000,000 if the receipts of gold are estimated in paper currency. There would be no modification of the revenue laws to reduce the receipts of the Treasury to a large extent, until our debt is permanently funded, and never below the point to cover our ordinary expenses and to pay the interest on the public debt. Perhaps the revenue from whisky will be set aside, and applied to the reduction of the principal of the public debt. This would be understood by all, and about which there could be no embarrassment. Our securities are the safest and best in the world. His opinion was that our own people should hold them. He hoped the time would never come when foreigners would raise our bonds higher than we ourselves. The bill contained authority to make a foreign loan, but this was optional, and might not be exercised. He further expressed his views on the financial question.

Mr. STEVENS said that this bill placed one thousand six hundred and forty-four millions at the absolute control of the Secretary of the Treasury, and he proposed to amend the bill by striking out various portions of it, so that it might simply provide that the act of March 3, 1865, shall be extended and continued to authorize the issue of any description of bonds authorized by the said act, to such an amount, in such manner, and at such rates, not less than par, as the Secretary may think advisable, for lawful money of the United States or for any Treasury notes, certificates of indebtedness, or certificates of deposit, or other representatives of value which have been or which may be issued under any act of Congress; and the proceeds thereof shall be used only for retiring Treasury notes, or other obligations bearing interest issued under the authority of Congress; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize any increase of the public debt.

The essential changes proposed by Mr. STEVENS are striking out the discretionary power of the Secretary of the Treasury, and also the foreign loan clause. He intended, he said, to offer a bill in this form as a substitute for the original bill.

Mr. HOOPER then addressed the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The great importance of the bill now before the House, and the interest excited in regard to it, arises from the fact that it is the first measure, in reference to the finances and money of the nation, which has been presented to Congress since the change of circumstances following relief from the war under which the country has labored for the last four years. The action of Congress upon this bill will probably be considered as an indication of their opinion in regard to the policy to be pursued. The subject is of vital consequence to the interests of every one. I propose, in the remarks I shall make on this bill, to review the action of the Government during the past four years, in reference to this subject, and to make some suggestions in regard to the action which seems to me to be required in the present condition of our finances.

Success in the great conflict in which our country was suddenly involved by the rebellion, the preservation of the Union, the maintenance of the Government, and the authority of the laws being the issue at stake, required an expenditure far exceeding in magnitude any which has been known in the history of our own or of any other nation in an equal length of time. It was unprecedented in amount, both for the raising, equipment, pay and sustenance of a gigantic army and of a powerful navy. The formation of such an army and navy, in view of the scanty organization then existing, was little less than its creation. Their materials of war and of subsistence were required to be on a scale wholly unusual. Other nations may have done as much, perhaps, through a long and varied experience, and in view of enemies more remote. Our armament was required on the instant, as our enemy was on, and even within, our threshold.

This unprecedented exigency required that the nation should look for other and deeper sources of revenue than those to which it had been accustomed in times of peace; and it became the duty of Congress, and of the Treasury Department, to devise and sanction measures by which the necessary revenue could be obtained, to meet this vast expenditure with the least hardship to the people, and the least strain upon the credit of the Government. In considering these measures, it was fully recognized that the end aimed at could not be attained without sacrifices on the part of the people which would entail inconvenience, and give rise to great diversity of opinion. It was the part of wisdom and patriotism, and the duty of every one to submit cheerfully to such sacrifices as the proposed measures required, instead of attempting to excite popular clamor, so as to weaken public confidence in the Government, on which all rely for the safety of their persons and the security of their property. It was the manifest duty of all loyal persons to support those measures, unless they could show that the object of them could be effected with less hardship and inconvenience by other methods than those proposed.

There was no difficulty in finding men for an army which numbered a million of soldiers in the field. The country abounded with everything necessary for their equipment and subsistence. Never in authentic history has such an aggregation of men, of supplies and of transportation been required and provided. The problem forced upon the consideration of Congress was how to pay this armed force, with their equipment, and maintenance and transportation.

There were but two methods by which this could be equitably and efficiently accomplished. One was by taxation; that is, by calling on every member of the community to furnish at once his just proportion of the amount required for such expenditures. Every one will now admit that this would have been so onerous as to be impracticable. The other method was to provide the money by loans; that is, by using the obligations of the Government to pay at some future time, with such rate of interest as may be agreed upon, thereby casting upon those who come after us a portion of the burden of a debt incurred in securing results of which they, even more than we, will receive the benefit.

The loyal people throughout the country were everywhere ready to be taxed to an extent sufficient to secure the prompt payment of the interest on the loans, and to provide for the payment of the principal within a reasonable term of years. It was a readiness founded on intelligence. Unaccustomed as the country then was to raise such large amounts of money by taxation, it was impossible to devise means by which the enormous expenditures required could be met in that method, and, if possible, it would not have been expedient. Congress accordingly adopted the other and the only measure which was possible. The necessary laws were enacted, as required from time to time, to provide by loans for the equipment, subsistence, transportation and pay of the army and navy, and loans were provided to secure the prompt payment of interest, and for the principal of the loans within a reasonable term of years.

According to the estimates of the Treasury Department, and the actual results of the first half of the present fiscal year, the revenue of the Government from the existing system of taxation, and from other sources, will not be less than $500,000,000, while the annual expenditures for the fiscal year ending the 30th June, 1867, including the interest on the public debt, is $384,317,181 88. It is apparent, therefore, that the present rates of taxation will, under any circumstances, yield an amount of currency so much in excess of what is necessary to secure the amount required for the ordinary expenses of the Government, the interest on the public debt, and a reasonable appropriation for its extinguishment within the lifetime of many of those who now bear the burdens of this taxation.

Congress having determined that the means to carry on the war should be raised by loans, authorized the issue of bonds for the amounts required, bearing interest at an annual rate not exceeding six per centum, payable half yearly.

There would have been no difficulty in relying upon these bonds alone for adequate means to carry on the war until the rebellion was subdued, if the creditors of the Government, including those who contracted to furnish the necessary supplies, had been the parties who could hold the bonds they received in payment from the Government. But unfortunately these parties had generally incurred large debts to enable them to fulfill their engagements to the Government, which they were obliged to pay. They were often put to great inconvenience, and the credit of the Government was often greatly impaired by the frequent, though unavoidable, delay of the Treasury Department in making payment.

To obviate this difficulty the Secretary of the Treasury was authorized by Congress to issue and pay to the creditors of the Government "United States notes," not bearing interest, but which were made a legal-tender for all debts, public or private, except for interest on the public debt and for duties at the Custom-house on foreign importations. It was believed that in the usual course of trade these notes, thus paid to the creditors of the Government, would be by them transferred to their creditors, and pass from one to another in payments, until they came into possession of banks and capitalists; and that any excess of them which could not be used with profit in the usual channels of trade, would be returned into the Treasury in payment for the interest-bearing bonds.

After the suspension of specie payments by the banks throughout the country near the close of the year 1861, the question presented itself whether the Government should use the irredeemable notes of the suspended State banks, thereby in violation of law, sanctioning their use as money, and encouraging their issue to an unlimited extent; or should avail itself of its own credit, to furnish a currency procured by a pledge of the public faith, to meet the wants of the community and facilitate the payments for the enormous demands which the war imposed. By the suspension of specie payments the irredeemable notes of the banks became the only medium in circulation as money for the payment of debts. While those notes were redeemable in coin they possessed a standard of value, but they had no standard of value after the suspension of specie payments. If the Government had received those notes in payment for taxes and for loans, they could not have discriminated between the different banks, by arbitrarily rejecting the notes of one as bad and accepting the notes of others as good; but, would have been ob

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—FEB. 21, 1866.

$1,000 U. S. 6s, '81 R....	104⅝	100 Erie R.....s10	73⅝
5,000 U.S. 5-20s C.'65	103	do.....c	73⅝
13,000 U.S.6s, 5-20s C.'64	103	300 do	73½
12,000 Tr. Notes, 7 3-10s, First Series....	99⅛	200 do	73⅝
116,000 do ..Sec. Ser.	99⅛	200 do.....s10	73⅝
26,000 do ..Th'd Ser.	99⅛	200 do.....2d call	73⅝
11,000 N. Y. St. 7s, Bounty Loan.....	109	100 Hud. Riv. R.....	101⅜
54,000 do.	107⅝	100 Chic. & N.W.....	27½
6,000 do.....2d call	109	1100 Reading R.....	90½
2,000 Missouri 6s.....	78½	600 do	90⅝
11,000 do.....	78¼	200 do.....s10	90⅝
16,000 Virginia 6s.....	64	700 do	90⅝
6,000 N. Car. 6s.....	60	600 Mich. Cen. R.....	109
10,000 do .....2d call.	79	200 Mich. S. & N.I.....	69⅛
5,000 Louisiana 6s.....	85	400 do	69½
3,000 Cal. 7s.....s3	115	1000 do	69½
20,000 O. & M. Cer.....	25¼	100 do.....b10	69¼
20,000 do.....	25⅜	300 do.....s60	69⅜
30,000 do.....	25⅛	100 Ill. Cen. R.....	113⅝
1,000 Erie 1st M.....	100	100 do.....s30	113½
1,000 Erie 4th M.....	96	100 do.....	113¼
1,000 Ira. R. 8s, S.F. Bs	10 ½	1000 Cleve. & Pitts.....	78
1,000 At. & T. H. 2d Pr.	79½	1500 do	78⅛
80 Ocean Bank.....	99	3300 do	78¼
25 Imp. & Trad.....	101	1050 do	78
10 Cen. National B'k..	110	200 Chic. & N.W.P....	54⅜
50 Bank of Commerce..	100	100 do.....b10	54⅜
90 Mechanics' Bank..	113⅜	500 do	54⅜
200 Canton Co.....	44	400 do	54⅜
100 Del. & Hud.....	134	100 do.....b3	54⅜
200 Cum. Coal Pr..s30	44	200 Clev. & Tol.....	101
200 do.....	44	100 Chic. & R. I..b10	103
100 do.....b30	44⅜	200 do	103¼
500 Atlantic S. S. Co....	124	500 do	104
60 do	123⅝	100 do.....s30	102⅝
3000 N. Y. Central...s5	89⅜	400 do	102⅝
2000 do.....	89⅝	100 do.....s10	102⅝
1000 do.....	90⅛	300 Pitts., F.W. & C....	93
100 do.....s10	90⅜	300 do.....s10	93
450 do.....s10	80	200 Chic. & N.W.....	28
300 Reading R.....	100⅛	200 Chi. & N.W.Pr....	84⅜
300 do.....s5	100⅛	100 Chi. & R. I.....	103⅝

1 O'CLOCK BOARD.

25,000 Tr. Notes, 7 3-10s		100 Canton Co.....	44¼
Sec. Ser.	99⅛	100 Ill. Cen. R.....s30	113⅝
100 Cum. Coal P.....	44⅜	100 do	113⅝
100 do.....	44⅜	200 P., F.W. & C.....	93¾
100 Mariposa Min.....	12	200 M. S. & N. I.....	69¾
200 Pac. Mail Scrip..	200	500 do.....s10	69⅝
100 do.....	b7 200	1200 do	69⅝
100 N. Y. Cen.....b10	91⅛	200 Cleve. & Pitts.....s30	78⅛
100 Erie Railroad.....	49⅝	400 do	78⅛
450 do.....s10	80	200 Chic. & N. W.....	28
300 Reading R.....	100⅛	200 Chi. & N.W.Pr....	84⅜
300 do.....s5	100⅛	100 Chi. & R. I.....	103⅝

2½ O'CLOCK BOARD.

$6,000 U. S. 6s, '81 C....	104	100 Pac. M. S. S.....b30	209
10,000 U. S. 6s, '81 R....	104⅛	400 N. Y. Central.....	91⅝
1,000 Tr. Notes, 7 3-10s, First Ser. Small	99⅛	100 do.....b30	91⅝
7,500 do. 2d Ser.	99⅛	300 Erie R.....	80⅝
3,500 do. 3d Series.	99⅛	25 Erie Railway Pr...	81
26,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. Cer. New Issue.....	98⅜	500 Reading R.....	100⅛
3,000 Tenn. 6s, 6s.....	92	600 do.....s30	100⅛
40,000 Missouri 6s...b30	78⅛	300 M. S. & N. I. R....	69⅝
10,000 do.....	78⅜	100 do.....s10	69⅝
26,000 O. & M. Cer.....	25⅛	100 Ill. Centra R.....	113⅝
11,000 N. Y. Cen. 6s, '87	91½	1000 Cleve & Pitts..b10	79
14,000 Am. Gold.....	137⅛	200 do	78⅝
10 Union Bank.....	120	800 Chi. & N. W. Pr....	84⅜
23 Bank of Amer.....	140	100 Chic. & Ri. Ia.....	104
60 Western U. Tel.....	57	13 do	103
200 At. Mail S. Co.....	136	175 P., F.W. & C.....	93¾
200 Quick. Min. Co.....	40½	300 do	93¾
700 Mariposa Min.....	12	100 Alt. & T. H.....	32
100 Pac. M. S. Co.....	209	100 Alt. & T.H.R.Pr....	61

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

200 Schuylkill Coal.....	18⅜	100 Mariposa Min.....	11⅝
200 do.....	18⅜	200 Reading R.....s3	99⅞
200 Mariposa Min. P....	16½	200 do.....b3	99⅞
1500 N. Y. Cen. R.....	90⅜	1200 Clev. & P.....	77⅝
300 do.....b3	90⅜	200 do.....s3	77⅝
500 do.....s3	90⅜	200 do.....	78
300 do.....c	90⅜	300 Chic. & R. Is.....	102⅝
500 Erie Railroad.....b3	78⅛	700 do.....s3	102⅝
800 do.....	78⅛	200 do.....	102⅝
700 do.....s3	79⅛	100 do.....s5	102⅝
100 do.....	79⅛	100 do.....	102⅝
500 do.....c	79⅛	100 Chic. & N.W.....	27½
200 do.....	79⅛	300 do.....s3	27
100 do.....c	79⅛	100 do.....s30	27
100 do.....b3	79⅛	200 Chi. & N.W. P.....c	54⅝
1400 M. S. & N. I. R....c	69⅝	100 P., F.W. & C.....s3	92½
1800 do.....	69⅝	100 do	92½
700 do.....s3	69⅞	100 do	92⅝
500 do.....b3	69⅞	200 do	92⅝
300 do.....	69		

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

100 N. Y. Cen.....	91⅜	500 Butler Coal.....	16⅝
500 do.....c	91⅜	300 Chi. & R. I.....s3	103⅝
200 do.....s3	91⅜	200 do.....b3	103⅝
200 do.....b3	91⅜	200 do	103⅝
100 Erie R.....c	80⅛	400 Clev. & P.....	78⅛
100 do.....s3	80¼	600 do	78⅛
350 do.....s3	80⅛	100 do.....s3	78⅛
400 Reading R.....	100⅛	100 Chic. & N.W.....	28
500 do.....s3	100⅛	800 do	27½
100 do.....b3	100⅛	100 do.....s3	27⅝
400 M. S. & N. I.....	69⅝	100 do	27⅝
700 do.....s3	69⅝	100 Chic. & N.W. P...b3	54⅝
1400 do	69⅝	600 do	54⅝
100 do.....s3	69⅝	100 do.....s30	54⅝
100 do.....b3	69⅝	200 P.F. W & C.....s3	93⅜
200 do.....c	69⅝	100 do	93⅜
300 do.....b3	69⅝	100 do.....s3	93⅜
200 do	69⅞	100 do	93⅝

OPEN BOARD—3 P. M.

200 New-York Cen.....	91⅜	200 Maryland A. C.....	15⅛
100 do.....b4	91⅜	600 Chi. & R. I.....	104⅛
100 do	91⅜	400 do	104¼
100 Erie Railroad.....	80⅛	400 do	104¼
100 do.....b3	80⅛	100 do.....s10	104¼
100 do.....s3	80⅛	400 Clove. & Pitts.....	79
200 do	80⅛	200 do	79
100 do.....s3	80⅛	100 Chi. & N. W.....s3	27⅜
200 do.....b3	80⅛	200 Chi. & N.W. Pr....	84⅜
200 Hud. Riv. R.....	102⅛	100 do.....b30	84⅜
100 Mich. S. & N. I.....	69⅞	100 do.....s3	84⅞
100 do.....	69⅞	100 do	85
600 do.....s3	69⅝	100 P., Ft. & Chi.....	93⅝

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21—P. M.

The Birthday of WASHINGTON being made a legal holiday by the act of the Legislature of New-York, there will be no business done to-morrow at Bank or at the Treasury Office or Custom-house or Stock Exchange. The Post-office will close at 10 A. M., and no mails will be delivered or made up after that hour.

The turn in the Money market noticed yesterday brought into the Street, this forenoon, a good many fresh lenders at the advanced rates of 6@7 ₰ cent., and the Stock Brokers made up their wants in good season, at from 6 to 7 ₰ cent.; in most instances at the inside figure. The speculators in Gold and Exchange, or their Brokers, bid full 7 ₰ cent. for Money early in the day, and were also supplied. The price of Gold was 137@137¼ ₰ cent. in the Gold Room, with only moderate transactions. The previous heavy sales by the Government not being lower than 137¼@137½ ₰ cent., there was no further disposition manifested to bid up to these figures for large parcels. Exchange on London, after the sailing of the steamer, was quoted at 108¾@108¾ for standard Bankers and 108@108¼ for Southern Bank or Bankers' credits. Some of these Bills with City Bank indorsement were done at 108¼ ₰ cent. The California steamer arrived this morning, and added about a million and a quarter of dollars to the supply of Gold.

On the Stock Exchange, the sudden flurry of yesterday in the Money market led to further sales on the railway speculation at declining prices, most of the operations being for short account, rather than to meet the demands for Money. The latter were in many instances easily met by lending out the active Stocks, like New-York Central, Erie, &c., at market value, and paying only 4@5 ₰ cent. premium on the Money advanced upon them. As remarked above, there was no difficulty in getting all the Money wanted on Stocks, including Governments and Railways, at a seasonable hour, and the market for both was on the recovery before 10:30 o'clock. The decline on Governments was at no time over ⅛@¼ ₰ cent. at the Stock Board, while the prominent New-York and Western Railways were sold down ⅛@1 ₰ cent. from Friday afternoon's prices, for cash, and 1@1½ on sellers' options. The principal buyers of New-York Central and Erie, both for cash and on time, are believed to be operating for very bold and wealthy parties, while the chief seller is reported to be a speculator also of large means. An interesting time is evidently in prospect in both Stocks.

At 4 o'clock the following quotations were made, as compared with Tuesday P. M. The Gold Room closed dull at 137¼@137¼; Exchange on London, 108¾@108¾, unsettled; Money easier at 6@7 ₰ cent.; Government securities steady, and the Railway speculation decidedly stronger than on the opening of business in the morning. After the decline of the morning in the Railways, they ultimately closed rather better than yesterday:

	Tues.	Wed.		Tues.	Wed.
U. S. 10-40s.....	94⅝	94⅝	Northwest.....	27⅛	27⅝
U. S. 5-20s.....	103⅜	103⅝	N. West Pref....	54⅝	54⅝
U. S. 7.30s.....	99⅝	99⅝	Rock Island.....	103⅛	104⅛
N. Y. Central...	91⅛	91⅜	Fort Wayne.....	99⅜	99⅜
Erie.....	80⅜	80⅝	Cumb'land Coal.	44⅜	44⅜
Hudson.....	102⅛	102⅜	Quicksilver	41⅜	40⅝
Reading.....	100	100	Mariposa.....	12	12
Mich. Southern..	69⅛	69⅜	Canton.....	44	44
Illinois Central..	114	113⅜	Ohio Certificates	26	26⅛
Pittsburgh.....	75¼	75⅜	American Gold..	137⅛	137⅛
Prairie du Chien	95	95	Bills on London.	108⅛	108⅜

The following bids were made for the City Bank Shares:

New-York.....	112	Hanover.....	107½
Merchants'.....	112½	Metropolitan.....	121
America.....	140	Market.....	110
Phenix.....	98	Shoe and Leather....	105
Tradesmen's.....	130	Continental.....	96
Merchants' Exch'ge..	105	St. Nicholas.....	99
Commerce.....	106	Marine.....	140
Mechs' Bk'g Asso'n..	105	Commonwealth.....	100
Ocean.....	93	Importers' & Traders'	101
American Exchange.	112	Park.....	140
Chatham.....	130	Central National.....	109
Bank of Republic....	108	Fourth National.....	97½
Bank of N. America..	106½	Ninth National.....	108

And the following for the Railway mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 7s, 1876	99	Tol. & Wab. 1st M....	97
N. Y. Cen. 6s.....	93½	Tol. & Wab. 1st M. Ex	87
Erie 1st Mort. Conv.	87	Tol. & Wab. 2d M.....	73
Erie 2d Mort.....	73	Mil. & Pr. du Ch. 1st M.	95
Hud. R. 7s, conv., '67...	95	Gal. & Chic. Ext.....	95
Mich. Cen. 8 p. c. '69-72.	113	Pitts., Ft. W. & Ch., 2d..	80⅝
Mich. C. nw 1st M. S's & C.	110⅝	Cleve. & P. 3d m. con...	66
Chi., B. & Q. 8 p. c. late.	109	Miss. & Mo. Ln. 1st M.	90
N. Ind. Cons. Line '68.,	90	Chic. & Alton S. F.....	93
Mich. S. & N.I.S. F. 7 p. c.	92	Chic. & Al. 1st M.....	90
Alton & T. H. 1st M....	79	Ohio & Miss. 1st mort..	75
Chi. & N. W. S. F.....	87	Peninsula R. R. bonds..	70
Chi. & N. W. Int. B....	61¼	Mil. & St. Paul 1st M....	82
Chi. & N. W. 1st M.....	89	Joliet & Chic. 1st mort.	98
Lack. & West'n Bonds.	96		

The day's business at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States was as follows: Receipts, $10,805,878 19; for Customs, $442,000; on account of Loan, $14,000; Coin Certificates, $898,140. Payments, $9,689,477 59; Balance, $103,046,488 72.

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$500,000 New-York State 7 per cent. stock for sale in sums to suit.

W. G. WHITE, Cash.

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1866.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been 7,130 bbls. Flour, 400 bbls. and 9,651 bags Corn Meal, 1,863 bushels Wheat, 3,800 bushels Corn, 455 bushels Rye, 695 bushels Barley, 960 bushels Malt, 9,089 bushels Oats, 100 bbls. Pork, 226 pkgs. Cut Meats, 375 pkgs. Lard, 17 bbls. Beef and 236 bbls. Whiskey.

ASHES—Pots are in demand and steady at $7 75 ₰ 100 lbs. Pearls continue quiet and nominal. Stock, 1,141 bbls., including 1,093 bbls. Pots and 48 bbls. Pearls.

COFFEE—Is very firm in price, but is inactive. We quote Rio at 23c.@28½c.; Maracaibo at 21c.@23½c.; Laguayra at 24c.@26c.; Jta. at 17¼c.@21½c.; Native Ceylon at 23c.@24c., and St. Domingo at 17½c.@17½c., cash, in gold, ₰ lb.

COTTON—Is in fair demand at buoyant prices: Middlings, 45¼c.@47c. ₰ lb. Sales and resales since our last, 2,400 bales. The receipts at this port have been 154,414 bales since Jan. 1, 1866, and 577,231 bales since the commencement of the current Cotton year, Sept. 1, 1865. The week's exports of Cotton from this port have been 10,786 bales. The estimated stock on hand here is 250,000 bales. Regarding the receipts at the shipping ports, Mr. WM. P. WRIGHT, in his circular for the *Journal of Commerce*, says: "The week's receipts are marked with much anxiety, and the decrease for the week ending last Saturday at New-Orleans and Mobile, though slight, is not lost sight of, as the beginning, possibly, of a marked and rapid decline. In Mobile the actual falling off proves nothing, as was predicted by the two minor rivers are not delivered with the regularity of those by the main river and the railroad. This is true also of the receipts at New-Orleans, which, as being so large a proportion of the whole, claim the chief attention, and an analysis of them shows a very material falling in the main channels. The receipts from the mouth of Red River, and from other remote districts, are of cotton which can only be shipped at certain times, and which will be shipped whenever practicable, and no inference can be drawn from the weekly arrivals as to the amount left behind. It is therefore unwise to be led by free receipts under such conditions into exaggerated estimates of the probable total. The Atlantic ports, particularly Savannah, whence, from the number of inland markets, more accurate information might have been looked for, are receiving cotton to an extent which reflects anything but credit on the persistent assertions both of receivers and of buyers that there was no cotton in the country. No doubt an anomalous season like the present makes estimates liable to great error, but a couple of weeks more will probably settle the question of supply for this year." The following is a statement of the movement in cotton at all the shipping ports since the 1st of September last: Receipts at the ports in the United States, 1,295,000 bales; exports to Great Britain, 590,000 bales; exports to France, 79,000 bales; exports to other foreign ports, 6,000 bales; coast exports, 686,000 bales; stock on hand, 592,000 bales. Of which during the past week included in the above: Receipts at the ports, 57,000 bales; exports to Great Britain, 27,000 bales; exports to France, 6,000 bales; exports to other foreign ports, 2,000 bales; total exports, 35,000 bales. The following is an extract of a letter dated Galveston, Texas, Feb. 1, 1866: "The business in Galveston is not so brisk as it has been, the Cotton receipts being much smaller; still there is enough doing to keep every one busy. I am confident from personal observation, during my late trip to the interior, that Texas will make as large, if not a larger crop of Cotton than she ever did before or during the late war. This I am convinced of from conversation with the leading planters throughout the State. The freedmen are making contracts and obeying them strictly in this portion of the State. (I mean the great Cotton regions abounding in the Brazos and Colorado Counties.) The Courts are organizing and getting into operation, and the Convention, which meets at the capital shortly, will remove the last obstacle to the resumption of civil authority, &c."

COAL—At the auction sale of Pittston Coal, to-day, of 15,000 tons offered, only 10,400 tons found buyers, and this amount was disposed of at much reduced prices, including 2,500 tons lump, $7 25@$7 87½; 4,500 tons steamboat, $7 25@$8; 3,000 tons grate, $7@$7 62½; 100 tons egg, $6 87½; 100 tons stove, $7 75; 200 tons chestnut, $6 25 ₰ ton of 2,240 lbs., delivered at Newburgh.

DRY GOODS.—The Dry Goods Exchange report, to-day is as follows: *Jobbers' Prices*—Brown Sheetings—Pacific A, 29c.; Pacific L, 26c.; Park, 24c.; Pepperell E, 27c.; Pepperell R, 25c.; Pepperell O, 23c. Bleached Shirtings—Bates, 40c.; Bates B B, 35c.; Bay Mills, 40c.; Blackstone, 32½c.; Columbia A, 25c.; Crown, 19c. Prints—Richeco, 24c.; Sprague, 23½c.; Hamilton, 23c.; Lancaster, 20c.; Victory, 19c. Ginghams—Glasgow, 26c.; Hartford, 24c. Cambrics—Manville, 20c.; Victory, 20c. Brown Drills—Pepperell, 30c.; Stark H, 28c. Corset Jeans—Pepperell, 26c.; Bates 27½c. Canton Flannels—Hamilton, 35c.; Naumbeag, 35c. Ticks—Methuen A, 62½c.; Hampden C 46c.; Hampden R, 50c. Skirts—York, 60c.; Everett, 32c.; Albany, 20c. Denims—Haymaker, 47½c.; Boston Manufacturing Co., 37c.; Warren Brown, 38c. Hoop Skirts—Bradley's Duplex Elliptic, 20 to 50 Hoops, 87½c. to $1 06; Empress Trail, $1 25; S. T. & A. T. Meyers' 1, 2, 3, in fair demand. The following change has been reported at the Dry Goods Exchange: Louisville—Some little trade doing, prices unchanged. St. Louis—Trade moderate. Baltimore—Market quiet, prices unchanged. Boston—Market quiet; buyers confine themselves to immediate wants.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western has been in very moderate demand at declining prices. Sales since our last 8,400 bbls., including very inferior to choice Superfine State and Western at $6 60@$7 30; inferior to choice Extra State at $7 25@$8 10, chiefly at $7 35@$7 65; round-hoop Extra Ohio, inferior to good shipping brands, at $8 15@$8 50 ₰ bbl. We now quote:

Superfine State and Western.....	$6 60 @$7 30
Extra State.....	7 25 @ 8 10
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c.	7 40 @11 00
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, ship'g brands	8 15 @ 8 50
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands..	8 60 @11 75
Extra Genesee.....	8 15 @11 25
Fancy do do	11 50 @12 00

Southern Flour is dull and heavy. Sales since our last 900 bbls., in lots, at $6 60@$10 10 for poor to good, and $10 15@$15 50 for good to very choice extra brands, ₰ bbl. Canadian Flour is tending downward; sales 450 bbls. Extra at $7 60@$11 ₰ bbl. Rye Flour is quiet, including Superfine at $4 50@$5 50 ₰ bbl. Sales 170 bbls. Corn Meal continues dull and heavy at $3 75@$4 for Western, $3 75@$3 85 for Jersey, and $4 25 for Brandywine, ₰ bbl. Sales 300 bbls.

GRAIN—Wheat has been inactive and on the decline. Sales 3,500 bushels, including No. 2 Spring at $1 80, and choice White State at $2 40 ₰ bushel. Corn is less active at previous figures. Sales 35,000 bushels, at 71c.@74c. for unsound, and 75c.@78½c. for sound mixed Western in store and delivered, the latter rate for choice; and 78½c. for Jersey Yellow, ₰ bushel. Oats are in moderate demand, including State at 56c.@57c., Jersey and Pennsylvania at 59c.@62c.; old Western at 59c.@64c.; new Western at 58c.@49c.; Canada at 54c.@55c. ₰ bushel. Rye has been in demand; 5,600 bushels Canada changed hands at $1 10 ₰ bushel. Barley has been in rather more request; 8,000 bushels State found buyers at 92½c. ₰ bushel. Barley Malt is dull and nominal.

HAY—North River is in fair request to-day at 80c. @$1 00 ₰ 100 lbs.

HOPS—Continue in moderate demand at previous rates, including last year's crop at 25c.@65c., and two years old at 15c.@45c. ₰ lb.

MOLASSES—Has been in demand at steady rates, including New-Orleans at 58c.@$1 10; Porto Rico at 40c.@65c., Cuba at 56c.@60c. ₰ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Have been in fair request, including Spirits of Turpentine at 85c.@90c. ₰ gallon; Crude do. at $7@$7 25; Resin at $4 37½@$15 ₰ 280 lbs.; Tar, at $2 50@$3 87½ ₰ bbl.

OILS—Have been sparingly sought after, including Crude Whale at $1 87½@$1 40; Bleached Whale at $1 53@$1 55; Crude Sperm at $2 40@$2 45; Unbleached do. at $2 60; Lard Oil at $1 85@$1 95; Red Oil at 85c.@95c.; Linseed Oil at $1 40@$1 41 ₰ gallon.

Imports of Sperm and Whale Oil and Whalebone into the United States.

	Bbls. Sperm.	Bbls. Whale.	Lbs. Bone.
From Jan. 1 to Feb. 19, 1866...	3,654	2,357	63,300
Same time last year.....	1,178	726	16,650

PETROLEUM—Continue in limited demand at 29c. @30c. for Crude; 45c.@47c. for Refined in bond, and 63c.@65c. for do. free, ₰ gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been more freely offered at lower and irregular prices. The demand has been moderate. Sales since our last 6,300 bbls., in lots, at $28 12½@$28 56¼ for new Mess, closing at $28 25 cash; $28 62½@$28 50 for small lots one year old Mess; $23@$23 50 for old Prime Mess; $26 25 for New Mess, and $20 50@$21 for new Prime, ₰ bbl. Sales were also made of 4,500 bbls. New Mess, March, April and May delivery, sellers' and buyers' options, at $28 25@$29 ₰ bbl. Cut Meats are in demand at 14¼c.@14¾c. for Shoulders, and 16¼c.@18¼c. for Hams; sales 200 pkgs. Bacon is less active including Cumberland Cut at 15¼c@15¾c.; Short Rib at 16¼c.@16¾c.; Long Ribbed, 15¼c.@15¾c.; Long Clear at 15¾c.@15¾c.; Short Clear at 16c.@17c.; Long Cut Hams at 16c.@17c. ₰ lb.; sales 450 boxes. Dressed Hogs continue in demand at 13¾c.@13¾c. for Western, and 13¾c.@14c. for City, ₰ lb. Lard is in moderate request at steady prices; sales 970 tcs. and bbls. at 16¼c.@18¾c. ₰ lb. Beef at $16@$20 for New Plain Mess, and $20 50@$24 for New Extra do.; sales have been reported of 360 bbls. Tierce Beef and Beef Hams are quiet and nominal. Suties is in fair demand at 35c.@50c. for poor to prime, 50c. for fancy State, and 22c.@35c. for Western, ₰ lb. Cheese continues in fair request at 16c.@22c. ₰ lb.

SUGARS—Have been inactive and quite heavy. Sales since our last 325 hhds., including Cuba, &c., part at from 10¼c.@13¾c., and 170 boxes Havana, at 11c.@12¼c. ₰ lb. We quote Fair to Good Grocer's at 11¾c.@12½c.; refining at 11c.@11½c. ₰ lb. Refined Sugars have been quiet to-day, at 14½c. @17½c. ₰ lb.

STEARINE—Sales since our last, 42,000 lbs. at 15¼c. @16¼c. ₰ lb.

TALLOW—Sales to-day 210,000 lbs. at 11¾c.@12¼c. and 37,000 lbs. Grease at 11¼c.@12c. ₰ lb.

FREIGHTS—Have been very quiet. For Liverpool there were taken 400 bales Cotton, at 5-16d.@⅜d. ₰ lb.; and 220 tcs. Heavy Goods, at 20s. ₰ ton. For London 50 tons Oil Cake, at 20s. ₰ ton.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE BIRTHDAY OF WASHINGTON.

Celebration of the One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Anniversary — The Civic and Military Display—General Suspension of Business—Public Meetings—The Day in Brooklyn.

The one hundred and thirty-fourth anniversary of the birth of WASHINGTON will be duly celebrated on the 22d inst. Business will be generally suspended, the day having been designated by the Legislature as a legal holiday. The Treasury will be closed during the entire day. The mails will close at 10 A. M., and the Post-office will not be open after that hour. The banks will be closed, and the insurance companies, it is understood, will do no business. The Stock, Produce and Dry Goods Exchanges will all close their doors. The following notice has been issued from the Custom-house:

CUSTOM-HOUSE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 20, 1866.

This office will be open on WASHINGTON'S Birthday, the 22d instant, from 9 to 10 o'clock A. M., for the entrance and clearance of vessels.

C. P. CLINCH, S. D. Collector.
M. P. ODELL, Naval Officer.
ABRAM WAKEMAN, Surveyor.

The Special Committee of the Common Council, appointed to make the necessary arrangements for celebrating the day in an appropriate manner, decided upon the following

PROGRAMME OF ARRANGEMENTS:

A salute of one hundred guns will be fired at Union-square at noon, and at the same hour the Trinity chimes will play a series of national airs.

A grand display of fireworks will be given at the following places:

Jackson-square.
Madison-square.
Jackson-square.
Tompkins-square.
Broadway and Forty-third-street.
West Broadway and Franklin-street.
Park, Broadway and Grand-street.
Marion and Bleecker streets.
Thirty-fourth-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues; and
The Battery.

Under the direction of Messrs. J. G. & I. Edge, the celebrated pyrotechnists.

A band of music will be in attendance at each of the above-named places.

The display at the City Hall will be unusually fine, and will consist of the following pieces:

1. Indian Palisades.
2. Golden Circle and Grecian Battery.
3. Persian Rose.
4. Crescent Fire.
5. Vow-tree.
6. Tribute to Ceres.
7. Tanis Perseis.
8. Seven Stars in its Satellites.
9. Star of America.
10. Star of Independence.
11. Golden Shield.
12. Yankee Windmill.
13. Passion Flower.
14. Father Time.
15. Grand Temple of Liberty, designed expressly for this occasion.

Similar exhibitions will be given at the other squares.

The display will commence at 7 o'clock precisely, by the rapid discharge of rockets and other aerial fireworks, after which the pieces will be fired in quick succession.

The owners and masters of vessels lying in port, and proprietors of hotels and public buildings, are requested to display their flags during the day. The sextons of the different churches are requested to ring their bells at sunrise, noon and evening.

At noon the bells of old Trinity will chime forth the following programme:

1. Ringing the changes on eight bells.
2. Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean.
3. Quiet, Lord, my Forward Heart.
4. Evening Bells.
5. Last Rose of Summer.
6. Blue Bells of Scotland.
7. Samson, from Handel chorus, "Thus Round about the Starry Hearen."
8. What Fairy-like Music.
9. Home, Sweet Home.
10. The Soldier's Return.
11. Yankee Doodle.
12. Old Hundreth Psalm.

THE MILITARY, ETC.

The Third and Fourth veteran regiments, Cols. BENDIX and HULL, will parade in full uniform. They will first march to the Arsenal, in Seventh-avenue, corner of Fifty-fifth-street, where they will be presented with a stand of colors by Col. ASPINWALL on behalf of the State. Both regiments will then march through Thirty-fourth-street, Fifth-avenue and Fourteenth-street to Union-square, around Washington monument, and thence to the City Hall, where they will pay a marching salute to the Mayor, after which they proceed to their armory, No. 596 Broadway, and be dismissed. Orders have also been issued for a parade of the Fifth, Sixth, Eleventh, Sixty-ninth and Sixty-seventh Regiments, N. G. S. N. G. The Eighth Regiment, in lieu of a parade, will hold a reception at the Academy of Music, to which Gens. GRANT, KOOKER and SANFORD, and Gov. FENTON, with their respective staffs, the Mayor, and all the field officers of the First Division, are invited. The Seventy-first Regiment will give a promenade concert in the evening at the State Arsenal, and the Ninety-sixth will give their annual ball at the Germania Assembly Rooms.

The following notice has been issued for the parade of the veterans of 1813:

The veterans of the war of 1812 will meet at the Museum, corner of Broome and Mercer streets, on Thursday, 22d inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., in uniform, to celebrate the birthday of the Father of his Country, Gen. GEORGE WASHINGTON. The First Company of Washington Continental Guard, Capt. TITUS, have in the kindest manner volunteered to escort us on this occasion. The drum corps of the Forty-seventh Regiment National Guard have also voluntarily tendered their valuable services. Dinner will be provided.

By order, H. RAYMOND, Brigadier-General.
ABRAHAM DALLY, Colonel.

I. M. PEYPE, Adjutani.

The Sabbath School of Trinity M. E. Church in Thirty-fourth-street, near Eighth-avenue, will celebrate its anniversary by appropriate exercises. Rev. Geo. W. ANDERSON will deliver a lecture in the Fifth-avenue Baptist Church, near Forty-sixth-st, on "Our National Vitality. The Secreiter Pleasure Club give a soiree at Brooks' Assembly Rooms. It is understood that Mr. FREDERICK A. LANE, a Vice-President of Harvard Club, has invited the members to a reception to be given at Delmonicos in the evening. Several distinguished graduates who reside in this and adjacent cities have signified their intention of being present. There will be an entertainment at the Five Points House of Industry, to which the public are invited.

PUBLIC MEETING TO SUSTAIN THE PRESIDENT.

A public meeting of citizens who are in favor of the President's policy and views will be held at Cooper Institute this evening in accordance with the following call:

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CITIZENS.—The citizens of New-York, who approve of the national authority in the war against the rebellion, who approve the general principles announced by the President in his Annual Message to Congress, and also in his recent Veto Message, and who are anxious to promote harmony and action in the public councils of the country, to the end that full constitutional relations between the Federal Government and all the States may be speedily and happily established, are invited to assemble at the Cooper Institute on Thursday evening, 22d inst., at 7:30 o'clock.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1866.

IN BROOKLYN.

A promenade concert will be given by the members of the Forty-seventh Regiment New-York State National Guard, at the Mozart Hall, at the Regimental Armory in Fourth-street, near Grand. Two military bands will furnish music for the occasion.

The children of the Fleet-street Methodist Episcopal Church will give a patriotic entertainment, under the direction of the chorister of the church. There will be a collection in the church.

The Brooklyn Library Association will celebrate the occasion at the Brooklyn Institute, when a short address will be delivered by Rev. LAWRENCE H. MILLS. Premiums will be awarded, and the annual report of the directors will be read.

Miss LAURA ROBINSON, daughter of Dr. ROBINSON, of New-York, will deliver a lecture at the York-street Methodist Episcopal Church.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

President Johnson's Veto Indorsed—Increase of Salaries.

This Board met at 2 P. M. yesterday, Mr. BIRCH in the chair.

A communication was received from the Chief Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct Department asking for an increase of salary.

It was laid on the table.

A resolution from the other Board was read increasing the salary of the Record Clerk in the City Inspector's Department to $1,500.

Mr. NORTON moved to refer it to the Metropolitan Board of Health.

The resolution was finally laid over.

Mr. NORTON offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, In the present crisis in the affairs of our country, when the conservative, li

must be granted with $10 costs. Mary C. Lillie vs. Benjamin H. Lillie; the cause must be referred back to the same referree for further evidence. John H. Duigle vs. James McMillan; motion granted.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 21.

Before Judge Cardozo.

Abernethy vs. the Society of the Church of the Puritans; findings settled.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 20.

By Judge Cardozo.

Ostrander vs. Gerner; motion denied without costs. Boathnern vs. Regno; motion granted. Sherman vs. Meyer; order granted. Martin vs. McSpedon; motion denied without costs.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 20.

By Justice Ingraham.

Thomas R. Musgrave et al. vs. E. A. Brooks; motion denied. Mendel Samter vs. Abram Messhunn, motion denied. Thos. B. Musgrave vs. L. W. Morse; motion granted for second Friday in March. P. C. Bulkley vs. Charity Clark; J. Addeberg vs. Chas. Kessman; motions granted. Douglass Robinson vs. E. T. Wills; motion granted. Katarina Trunk vs. Louis Trunk; report of referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted from bed and board. John H. Baker vs. Holman C. Lucas; motion denied with $10 costs to abide event. Ferdinand Zimmerman vs. Daniel D. Winant; Emil Oalman vs. Jas. T. Lloyd; motions granted. In re the sale of real estate belonging to the infant heirs of Geo. Care; memoranda for counsel. William F. Walker vs. Isaac D. Edrehi; Hiram A. Pettibone vs. Henriette Pettibone; motions granted. Arthur Robinson et al. vs. Solomon Barnets et al.; motion denied with $10 costs to abide event. Thomas B. Musgrave vs. Edwin C. Brooks; motion denied. W. W. Cobbins vs. P. M. Gover et al.; judgment ordered. In re the application of Archie Long vs. Wm. B. Rankin; references ordered to inquire, &c., &c. Thomas Lynch vs. Thomas L. Braynan; motion granted for third Friday in March. Wm. Daly vs. Thomas L. Braynan et al.; motion granted for third Friday in March. James R. Weir vs. Francis R. Dunna; James Henderson vs. Obadiah Williams; motions granted.

By Justice Barnard.

Sprague et al. vs. Morris et al.; motion denied.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 20.

By Chief Justice Robertson.

Nathan Simm vs. John McCreery; Addison C. Fletcher vs. Luther C. Tibbetts; Augustus W. Lord vs. Edward Ingraham; motions granted. Henry Burnsteedler vs. Johanna Burnsteedler; motion granted, and cause referred to referee to hear and determine.

By Justice Garvin.

Thomas Otis Le Roy vs. J. S. Phillips; Charles T. Bocor vs. Thurlow Weed; motions granted.

The Cahill Murder Trial—Who Killed Policeman Duryea ?—A Witness Declines to Say Whether He is a Thief—Case to Close To-day.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Russel.

The trial of John Cahill, accused of the murder of Policeman Duryea, near Jones' Wood, on the 16th of May, 1864, which was commenced in the Court of General Sessions on Monday, has occupied the time of the Court ever since. The prosecution introduced some singular witnesses. Among them was Thos. Hart, who has been engaged for the last year in the artistic exercise of feeding his mother's hogs, twenty in number; he had been once in prison on a charge of being concerned in an outrage upon a woman; he had no particular method of making his living besides the hog-feeding; he testified to seeing Cahill shoot Duryea, and he was induced to give evidence against Cahill because Connell, who is held as an accessory after the fact in the murder case, had caused a complaint to be made against his (Hart's) brother at the Jefferson Market Police Court. Another of the witnesses for the prosecution was Owen Hart, now a resident of the Tombs, awaiting the action of the Grand Jury on a criminal charge. He said he met Cahill a couple of nights after the murder, when he told him that he (Cahill) had shot Duryea; he said there were two other persons with him at the time with whom he was well acquainted, but he did not remember their names, although he remembered their ages, being respectively 26 and 18 years old. On being asked if he was a thief he said that he declined answering that question. Daniel Deegan was another witness for the prosecution; he had been sentenced to State Prison for five years, and had been pardoned so as to appear in court and give evidence in this case. He testified that Connell got hold of the officer who arrested some young men, held him by the neck, and struck him three or four times, when Cahill stepped back to the side of the railroad track, drew a revolver and discharged it twice, and after the last shot he saw the officer fall. Other witnesses were called, but none of them could testify to the identity of the man who did the shooting.

The defence, which opened yesterday, produced witnesses who testified to the character of the Hart brothers as bad; that Thomas Hart was not at Jones' Wood on the day in question, but was standing about the street-corners near where he lived; that his brother Owen had a bad reputation, and witnesses would not believe him under oath. The witness Harney who had been called out by the prosecution was recalled by the defence, and testified that Deegan had told him that his wife threw her arms around him and would not let him out of the car so that he could not see, and did not see the shooting of Duryea.

The witnesses for the defence were Alex. Muller, John W. Combs, Henry Bohlen, Wm. Mount, Wm. Rauch, Robert McKinny, who characterized the Harts as "beats;" Adam Muller, Michael Reeves, Christopher Creggan, Michael Ryan, Patrick Mulligan, John Toole and William Harney. Mr. Clinton, before producing his testimony at all, claimed that the prisoner, who had formerly kept bad society, had cut himself loose from it. Mr. Clinton said that Hart and his brother had concocted the scheme to screen their own crimes, and to prevent Cahill testifying against them on the accusation of Connell; and he asked the Jury to dismiss the testimony of Dee and Creggan from their minds.

When the defence had closed yesterday, Judge Russel informed counsel that to-day they must finish the case, even if it should require the Court to sit till daylight on Friday morning. Mr. Hall premised to occupy only about one hour in summing up. A juror expressed the hope that the defence would follow his example. Mr. Clinton, in response to the juror, said he would rather let the case go to the Jury without any speech whatever, but promised not to punish them too severely.

The Court then adjourned till to-day.

It is due to Judge Russel to say that in regard to holding Court to-day, the Jury were consulted, and they preferred to accomodate the day in the court of justice to frittering it away in outside and less useful ceremonials.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

A PROTESTANT AMERICAN WIDOW of respectability, prepossessing and refined, endowed with business abilities, desires to meet with an engagement, in City or country; is competent to cut, make and trim dresses, &c.; good accountant and copyist; would superintend household affairs; excellent in managing children, or take possession of a house; security required; wages not so much an object as a home where I can have my daughter, aged twelve years, with me; best of references given; no humbug. Address A. R., Station F, No. 407 3d-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTESTANT woman as cook in a small private family; understands her business thoroughly; is a good baker: no objections to assist with the washing; best of City references. Call at No. 84 West 20th-st., for two days.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WOMAN A situation as a first-class laundress; thoroughly understands her business in fluting and mangling; does ladies' muslins in the best style; best of City reference. Call at No. 149 West 18th-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG GIRL, A SITUATION as nurse or chambermaid and waitress; has six years' reference from her last place; no objection to New-York. Call at No. 228 Franklin-av., near Myrtle, Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-CLASS laundress in a gentleman's family; highest city references can be given. Call for two days at No. 428 6th-av., between 29th and 30th-sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS SEAMSTRESS to go out either by the day or week; understands cutting and fitting ladies' and children's dresses. No. 35 West 30th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A YOUNG WOman, as first-class waitress; wages $12; can furnish the best of City reference. Call at 36 East 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A YOUNG woman, to cook, wash and iron. Inquire at No. 20 East 12th-st., in the rear.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTESTANT girl as chambermaid or waitress or children's nurse. Apply at No. 47 Sullivan-st., for one day.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG GIRL to do up-stairs work and attend children. Call No. 111 West 15th-st., near 6th-av.

HOUSEKEEPER.—A LADY, 35 YEARS OF age, desires a position to superintend the household of a gentleman; references exchanged. Address A. B., Post-office, Brooklyn.

AN AMERICAN WOMAN WISHES A SITuation in an American family; first-rate washer and ironer and plain cook. Call at No. 128 Forsyth-st., rear basement. Best of reference given.

DOMESTICS, SERVANTS, HELP, &c., advertising for situations, places, homes, &c., in the DAILY TRIBUNE, are charged only 25 cents.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS GARDENER BY a married man without family; has had long experience in some of the best places in the country, and thoroughly understands his business in all its branches. Apply at Bridgeman's seed-store, No. 876 Broadway, where all particulars can be given.

WANTED—A GARDENER'S SITUATION BY A man of long experience in the laying out of gentlemen's places; also in the management of greenhouses, graperies, &c.; can be highly recommended from former employers; is married; without family. Address LANDSCAPE, Station D, No. 15 John-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPETENT coachman; can do plain gardening; has long experience; can furnish unexceptionable reference from last employer; will work for low wages. Address H. H., Box 302 Times Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A MAN AND HIS wife, the man as coachman and groom and the wife as cook, chambermaid or waitress; both highly recommended; no objection to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 45 3d-av., Sanders'.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FARMER AND gardener, by a married man, Scotch, who understands the care and raising of stock, and farming in all its branches; can give good reference from last employer. Address W. B. M., at seed-store, No. 65 Liberty-st.

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NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1866.

THE GREAT JOHNSON MEETING.

The Committee having charge of the Cooper Institute Meeting, to be held this evening, contemplate a large assemblage. At a meeting held yesterday, Hon. FRANCIS B. CUTTING was elected to preside, and Mr. HENRY CLEWS was appointed Treasurer.

Hon. WM. H. SEWARD, Secretary of State, will be present and address the audience. Numerous other eminent public speakers are expected to take part in the proceedings. Among these, Postmaster-General DENNISON; Hon. Mr. DELANO, of Ohio; Hon. Green Clay Smith, of Kentucky; Hon. H. J. Raymond, of New-York; and Gov. Ogilby, of Illinois.

It is expected that Lieut.-Gen. Grant will gratify the audience by his presence for a short time early in the evening.

A display of FIREWORKS will follow the close of the proceedings.

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CITIZENS.

The Citizens of New-York, who sustained the National Authority in the War against the Rebellion, who approve the general principles announced by the President in his Annual Message to Congress, and also in his recent Veto Message, and who earnestly desire to promote harmony in the Public Councils of the Country, to the end that full Constitutional Relations between the Federal Government and all the States in the Union may be speedily established, are invited to assemble at the Cooper Institute on THURSDAY EVENING, 22d instant, at 7:30 o'clock.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 19, 1866.

William C. Bryant,	James Brown.
A. A. Low,	S. B. Chittenden,
George Opdyke,	Shepherd Knapp,
Moses H. Grinnell,	P. C. Calhoun,
Benj. R. Winthrop,	R. M. Blatchford,
Isaac N. Phelps,	F. S. Winston,
Geo. H. Warren,	Edward H. Ooster,
H. H. Van Dyck,	Charles Harriman,
Henry Clews,	Wm. H. Neilson,
A. C. Kingsland,	John A. Parker,
Simeon Draper,	Aaron Vanderpoel,
Henry E. Davies, Jr.,	Israel O. Low,
Tim. G. Churchill,	E. H. Lyman,
S. C. Williams,	David Dudley Field,
Saml. Wetmore,	Stewart Brown,
Henry Berg,	Daniel C. Kingsland,
Howard L. Parmele,	Richard Schell,
F. W. Coggill,	John C. Jackson,
Jos. B. Varnum,	S. Jaudon,
Effingham Townsend,	Andrew Carrigan,
Marshall O. Roberts,	Moses F. Odell,
Richard D. Lathrop,	Wed. W. Clarke,
James Wadsworth,	W. B. Dinsmore,
Paul Spofford,	J. D. Jones,
George Briggs,	Arthur Leary,
James Stuart,	Wm. Butler Duncan,
Leonard W. Jerome,	Elisha Riggs,
Paul S. Forbes,	Erastus C. Benedict,
James Kelly,	Abram Lent,
Abram Wakeman,	Thomas Murphy,
E. P. Cowles,	Joseph Stuart,
Ezra Nye,	H. W. T. Mali,
Stephen Hyatt,	G. W. Burnham,
Ethan Allen,	Charles L. Frost,
C. Winthrop,	Francis Skiddy,
C. H. Lilienthal,	Robert Schell,
Daniel Devlin,	Thomas S. Smith,
R. T. Sherman,	Lawrence Jerome,
James K. Place,	Daniel S. Dickinson,
J. Delamater,	Wm. M. Walton,
Josiah Hedden,	Joseph W. Alsop,

And more than two thousand others.

Amusements this Evening.

WINTER GARDEN.
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, RICHELIEU; OR, THE CONSPIRACY. Characters by Edwin Booth, Charles Barron, J. R. Taylor, John Dyott, W. A. Donaldson, G. Kemble Mason, Miss Rose Eytinge, Mrs. Marie Wilkins, &c.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 8¼ o'clock, FANCHON, THE CRICKET. Characters by Messrs. J. G. Burnett, J. W. Collier, George Rooke, E. B. Holmes, H. Danvers, E. Barry, Rendle, Nell; Misses Mary Wells, Farren, Maeder, Burke, H. Chapman, Everett.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 8 o'clock—SOCIETY. Characters by Messrs. Frederick Robinson, Charles Fisher, Mark Smith, Geo. Holland, Holsten, W. H. Norton, J. G. Williamson, Miss Madeline Henriques, Mrs. Vernon, Miss Emma Le Brun, Mrs. Timoney and Miss Scott.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THE TWO FRIENDS and WHO KILLED COCK ROBIN. Characters by Mrs. John Wood, Miss Eliza Newton, Mr. E. L. Davenport, Mr. J. H. Stoddart.

LUCY RUSHTON'S NEW-YORK THEATRE,
Nos. 728 and 730 Broadway.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THE BLACK CROOK and BETWEEN YOU AND ME AND THE POST. Characters by Messrs. W. A. Mestayer, Clarke, Pearson and Higgins; Miss Lucy Rushton, Mrs. Maeder, Mrs. Mark Smith.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, between Grand and Broome sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, UNCLE SOLON SHINGLE and THE LANDLADY. Characters by Messrs. John E. Owens, W. C. Forbes, J. W. Albaugh, F. J. Evans, H. L. Hinton, W. H. Hamblin, H. Jordan; Mrs. A. Hind, Miss Saidee Cole.

WOOD'S THEATRE.
Broadway, opposite St. Nicholas Hotel.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, AFTON'S CHILDREN; OR, THE ORPHAN'S STRUGGLE. Characters by Messrs. Barton Hill, G. C. Davenport, Miss Lucille Western, Miss H. Osborne, Mrs. E. Wright, Miss A. Seidler.

NEW BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Canal and Hester sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7 o'clock, JOORISSE, THE JUGGLER, BLUE DWARF and ST. VALENTINE'S DAY. Characters by Messrs. G. C. Boniface, Thompson, Grisdale; Brookes, Mrs. W. G. Jones.

FOX'S OLD BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Canal and Hester sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, JACK and GILL WENT UP THE HILL, and a Favorite Farce. Characters by Messrs. L. Fox, C. K. Fox, Master Timothy and Mlle. Martinetti.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM.
Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.
THIS AFTERNOON at 2½ and EVENING at 7½ o'clock, MOSES; OR, ISRAEL IN EGYPT. MAGNIFICENT SCENERY, COSTUMES, &C. 100,000 CURIOSITIES.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS AND HIPPOTHEATRON.
14th-st., opposite the Academy of Music.
THIS AFTERNOON, Feb. 22, commencing at 2 o'clock, MATINEES. EVENING at 8, ECLIPSE STEEPLE-CHASE, THE SPRITE OF THE SILVER SHOWER; SPORTS AND PASTIMES IN FAIRY LAND. THE KNIGHTS OF THE MARDI-GRAS.

BRYANT'S MINSTRELS.
Broadway, between Grand and Broome sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, BLACKSMITH'S JUBILEE; OR, LOS ON PARLE FRANCAIS; THE LIVE INGIN. Characters by Dan Bryant, Little Mac, Rollin Howard, Neice Seymour, Dave Reed, Neil Bryant, &c.

SOMERVILLE ART GALLERY,
No. 845 Broadway.
THIS DAY AND EVENING, Feb. 22—Exhibition of Bierstadt's last work, STORM IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS, for the benefit of the "Nursery and Child's Hospital."

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC,
Montague-st., between Court and Clinton sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 7½ o'clock, Italian Opera, LA SONNAMBULA. Characters by Miss Clara Louise Kellogg, Mlle. Fisher, Signors E. Irfre, Antonucci. Conductor, Signor Torriani.

DERBY ART GALLERY,
No. 625 Broadway.
Exhibition of Huntington's great National Painting, THE REPUBLICAN COURT.

HOPE CHAPEL.
Broadway.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 22, commencing at 8 o'clock, CORRIE'S ILLUSTRATED TOUR OF SCOTLAND.

To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring in their notices at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 8½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday, Mr. WILSON offered a resolution, which was referred to the Military Committee, setting forth the duty of expressing through Congress the national gratitude to the officers, soldiers and sailors of our army and navy. A petition in favor of extending the right of suffrage to women was presented by Mr. HENDERSON. After a lively and pleasant debate on this subject, the House joint resolution to encourage telegraphic communication between the Eastern and Western Continents was taken up, and sent back to the House for concurrence in certain verbal amendments made by the Senate. A resolution to adjourn over till Friday was adopted, to give members an opportunity to attend the funeral services in commemoration of HENRY WINTER DAVIS. Mr. FESSENDEN then moved to take up the House concurrent resolution, declaring that no Senator or representative from the States lately in rebellion, shall be admitted into either House until Congress shall have declared such States to be entitled to representation. After some debate, in which Mr. BUCKALEW, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. COWAN, Mr. SUMNER and Mr. FESSENDEN took part, objection being made to the consideration of the resolution, Mr. FESSENDEN gave notice that he would call it up on Friday next. Mr. LANE, of Kansas, gave notice that on Friday he should bring in a bill to continue in force the present Freedmen's Bureau. The Amendment to the Constitution on representation, was taken up, and Mr. BUCKALEW addressed the Senate on the general subject of representation, and in opposition to the amendment. Replies were made by Senators ANTHONY and WILSON, and the Senate then adjourned till Friday.

In the House, Mr. GARFIELD caused to be read the resolution of the Union members of the Ohio Legislature, passed in caucus, approving the action of the House of Representatives. The motion of Mr. STEVENS to reconsider the vote by which the resolution on the representation of the lately rebellious States was past, was taken up and laid on the table by a vote of 108 yeas to 37 nays. Leave was asked to report a resolution from the Committee of Ways and Means declaring it inexpedient to make any change in the duty on distilled spirits. Objection was made. Mr. LAFLIN offered a resolution directing the head of each department to inform Congress the cost of printing and paper for the year 1865. It was adopted. The Indiana election case was then taken up. After a brief debate, further consideration of the case was postponed until Friday next, and the House proceeded to the consideration of the Loan Bill. It was discussed at length by Mr. MORRILL, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. HOOPER and Mr. KELLY, when its further consideration was postponed till Wednesday.

GENERAL NEWS.

From Chili intelligence is received that the rumored mediation of France and England in the war between that country and Spain was not favorably regarded. It was not expected that Spain would voluntarily relinquish her pretensions. The Spanish fleet had concentrated at Valparaiso in a threatening attitude. An engagement had taken place between a part of the blockading fleet and the garrison at Calderavilla. The assailants were repulsed. The retirement of Mr. NELSON, the United States Minister, was announced, and was received with universal expressions of regret. A quarrel had arisen between Chili and Uruguay, growing out of the refusal of the latter to allow Chilian privateers to bring the Spanish prizes they may capture into her ports. The offended Uruguayan Government had issued a decree prohibiting the arrival and sale of prizes, and threatening with severe penalties all who should infringe upon the neutrality laws.

The debate on the Franchise Bill in the Tennessee Legislature has consummated in a dead lock, the opponents of the bill declining to answer to their names, and thereby reducing the number of members present to less than a quorum. In the excitement consequent on this proceeding, Mr. Speaker HEISKELL jumped excitedly from his seat, called MULLINS "a liar," hurled his mallet at his head, and called for a pistol to shoot him. Members gathered in haste around the belligerents; deadly pale faces could be seen on every side; several pistols significantly made their appearance; and for some moments a general fight seemed imminent. The bill excludes from the franchise all who have borne arms in the rebellion or in any way given it countenance.

A resolution has been reported in the Maine Legislature that the Governor, the Chief-Justice of the S. J. Court, and the President of the Senate, *ex officio*, be constituted a Commission to secure the erection of a monument to the memory of the sons of Maine, who have fallen in the defence of the Government during the late rebellion. The resolution appropriates the sum of $30,000 for this purpose.

The Special Commission for the trial of the Fenians, has completed its labors in Dublin. Of forty-one prisoners thirty-six have been convicted. One of the Judges said that the result of the trials was to prove that the feeling of the respectable people in the country was strongly opposed to the Fenian conspiracy.

The bill before the North Carolina Legislature granting to freedmen the right of testifying in the courts, has been so amended as to preclude its taking effect until all matters of jurisdiction now referred to the Freedmen's Bureau shall be turned over to the civil authorities.

The very brilliant display of the Aurora Borealis, which was observed in this City on Wednesday night, extended over a large portion of the Northern States. At Philadelphia the lines of the telegraph companies were worked without the use of the batteries.

The merchant tailors are represented in Washington by a delegation urging an amendment to the Internal Revenue law. They say that the $60 on a thousand of gross receipts now required is an excessive rate.

The Registry Bill before the West Virginia Legislature disfranchising all who aided or abetted the rebellion, has passed the Houses of Delegates—yeas 38, nays 6.

A bill has been reported by a joint select committee of the Tennessee Legislature which excludes all rebels of every grade from the ballot-box, and is likely to pass the House with a few modifications.

The Fenian Congress continued its session at Pittsburgh yesterday. President ROBERTS offered his resignation, and recommended the election of Gen. SWEENEY.

The trial of JAMES GLENNON, at Elizabeth, N. J., for the murder of his wife, has terminated in a conviction of the accused, accompanied by a recommendation to clemency.

The Atlantic and Great Western Railroad Company have purchased the Richmond and Chicago Road, and intend laying a double track from Dayton, Ohio, to Richmond, Ind.

Orders have been issued from Washington, in compliance with the report of the Investigating Committee, to remove sixty buildings from Old Point Comfort. The work of destruction has commenced.

Gen. LEW WALLACE has settled down to the practice of law at Crawfordsville, Ind. He disclaims any desire to engage in Mexican fillibustering.

LOCAL NEWS.

To-day being WASHINGTON'S Birthday, all the Civil Courts in the City adjourned yesterday afternoon to Friday morning. The Jurors summoned for Thursday, (to-day,) to appear in Part II. of the Circuit Court, before Justice CLERKE, are notified, by order of the County Clerk, to appear at 10 A. M. on Friday, in the General Term Room. City Judge RUSSEL and Justice BARNARD of the Oyer and Terminer, will hold their respective Courts to-day. The Legislature of this State, in March last, made WASHINGTON'S Birthday a legal holiday.

The trial of the action entitled JOHN B. SICKLES *vs.* WM. R. SINEY, already reported, was concluded yesterday by the Jury rendering a verdict of $1,115 for the plaintiff. The action was brought to recover the sum of $10,000 from the defendant, who at the time, Dec. 11, 1863, was the proprietor of a line of stages running from East Houston-street through the Bowery, Chatham-street, Park-row and Broadway to South Ferry. The plaintiff undertook to cross Broadway, in the vicinity of St. Paul's Church. When he was part away across the pole of defendant's stage struck him, knocked him down and one wheel of the vehicle passed over his lower limbs. The question on the trial was principally, whether the driver of the stage had been guilty of negligence in driving at the rate, and on the side of the street where he did drive.

At a meeting of the American Institute, Tuesday evening, the newly-elected President, Hon. HORACE GREELEY, having been introduced by Mr. DUDLEY S. GREGORY, Vice-President of the Institute, addressed the members at some length, and advised, among other things, that the Institute take measures for the erection of a suitable edifice wherein to hold a perpetual Fair. About a hundred persons were made members of the Institute. President GREELEY appointed Mr. JOHN W. CHAMBERS Clerk and Mr. DAVID M. JACOBUS Messenger for the ensuing year, and the the salary of the Corresponding Secretary was fixed at $2,000. The report of the Committee on By-Laws was laid over to the next meeting, the Trustees were empowered to negotiate for the sale of the Institute's property at No. 531 Broadway, and after desultory discussion a recess was taken until Tuesday evening a fortnight hence.

At the meeting of the Board of Education, last evening, President MCLEAN in the chair, the salaries of teachers in the colored schools were advanced twenty per cent., the increase to date from the 1st of January last. The proposition elicited much discursive discussion. It appearing that whenever the Board has restored teachers whom the School Trustees have dismissed, the Trustees have wantonly reduced these instructors' salaries to merely nominal sums, the Board adopted a resolution depriving Trustees of the power of fixing the salaries of the teachers.

On Monday evening a Council of Congregational Churches of this City met in the church in Forty-first-street, and resolved to recommend to the churches the effort being made to organize a new society, under the pastoral care of Rev. LYMAN ABBOTT. The church now has some seventy members who propose to furnish a church-property worth $40,000, provided $12,000 of that sum be raised by neighboring churches.

Police Commissioners ACTON, BERGEN and MURRAY tried fifty-five cases yesterday. Among the distinguished visitors at the Trial Chamber were Ex-Mayor GEORGE HALL, of Brooklyn, and Justice MICHAEL CONNOLLY, of the Fourth District Police Court. Mr. BENJAMIN F. MANIERRE, the newly-chosen Police Commissioner, visited Police Headquarters, and was closeted an hour with President ACTON. There are already hosts of applications for positions under the new Health Commission.

The defence in the case of JOHN CAHILL, accused of the murder of Policeman DURYEA, in the Court of General Sessions, was completed yesterday with the exception of the examination of one witness, who will appear and give his testimony to-day. Counsel will then sum up, and the case will be given to the Jury.

CHARLES WHITE, aged 45, jumped from a third-story window of his residence, No. 47 Amity-street, into the yard beneath, while laboring under a fit of temporary insanity. He sustained a compound fracture of one leg and other serious injuries about the body. It is thought that he cannot recover.

An inquest was held yesterday on the body of JOHN ODDUNON, late a brakeman on the Hudson River Railroad, who was run over on Saturday last by a freight-train, at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

MICHAEL CUREY, driving recklessly through Avenue B, near Fifth-street, on Tuesday evening, ran over ALEXANDER KLUTZ, a German, seriously injuring him. CUREY was arrested and committed to await the results of KLUTZ's injuries.

Justice INGRAHAM, of the Supreme Court, yesterday granted a decree of divorce in the case of ELLEN KOBLE *vs.* GODFRIED KOBLE. The custody of the child is awarded to the plaintiff.

The Board of Aldermen yesterday unanimously adopted resolutions indorsing the action of President JOHNSON, in vetoing the Freedmen's Bureau Bill.

The case of CRAM was continued in the Court of Oyer and Terminer yesterday, and will probably be concluded to-day.

The pupils of the Cooper Union celebrated WASHINGTON'S Birthday, in the great hall of the Institute, last evening. There was a large attendance.

At a meeting of the Academy of Medicine last evening, the subject of cholera was discussed. Papers were read by Drs. NUTTING and GRISCOM.

At the sale of Pittston coal yesterday, prices declined from $1 to $2 25 per ton. Nearly one-half of the coal offered was withdrawn.

An advance of 1 per cent. in the rates for money to the stock and gold brokers was established yesterday, but the supply was easy at the advance, and the railway speculation, after being depressed in the morning, recovered, and closed rather higher than on Tuesday. Government stocks steady. Gold dull at 137¼@137¾. Exchange 108¾@108½ per cent.

Most kinds of produce and merchandise were lightly dealt in yesterday. The main inquiry was for cotton and whisky, which were firmer, and breadstuffs and provisions, which were heavy and irregular. Freights were quiet.

The Meeting at the Cooper Institute.

We publish a call for a meeting to sustain the President. Only brief time was given to obtain signatures, and it received thousands. Few, indeed, even hesitated, and scarcely any one refused. The unanimity of sentiment in favor of the President is equally a surprise and a gratification, nor does it come too soon. The recklessness of Congress required this admonition. Well for those who have surrendered their judgment and their votes to a caucus dictator, if they open their eyes and assert their individuality in season.

The Situation.

If it were possible at the present time to find an intelligent observer, unbiased in either way by contending partisans, he would be constrained to bear testimony to the forbearance, the moderation, the consistent devotion to the Constitution and the Union, by which ANDREW JOHNSON has been distinguished from the first moment of his elevation to power. In an especial manner have these qualities been displayed since the commencement of the present session of Congress. Uninfluenced by the temptations of power or the appeals and threats of the Radical members, he has pursued the even tenor of his way with a firmness not marred by arrogance, and a clearness of purpose which has preserved him from mistake. He has neither attempted to dictate terms, nor succumbed to the dictation by which others have sought to influence his conduct. Insolence he has met with reason. Threats he has turned aside by an appeal to the calm judgment of the country. Radical fanaticism he has circumvented by a quiet but fearless appeal to the requirements of the Constitution, and the principles which underlie the liberties of the American people.

If the contest between the President and the Radical faction in Congress has at length reached its critical stage, it is not the fault of ANDREW JOHNSON. Heaven knows that he has done all that could be done, short of an abandonment of his position and a desertion of his principles, to avert an open rupture. He has never shrunk from an occasion of expressing his views, and justifying by reason his proclaimed policy; but in no instance has he laid claim to an authority not his own, or suffered himself to be inveigled into partisan intrigue. He has been moderate in the presence of great provocation; dignified and courteous under the pressure of gross insult; and at all times intent upon obeying the Constitution as he understands its principles and provisions.

The moral strength thus acquired by the President confers upon him immeasurable advantages in his present position, and invests his Veto Message with a weight which radicalism will vainly strive to overcome. He has struck no wanton blow, idly incurred no hostility, precipitated no collision which by any possibility he could have avoided. He has simply exercised the constitutional right—no less, no more. Congress passed a bill which he found himself unable to approve; and he has contented himself with an unadorned but masterly exposition of the considerations which swayed his judgment.

We venture to say that no similar document ever so directly, so conclusively, so completely commended itself to the heart and brain of the nation. It teaches no theory, cultivates no crotchet, invokes no passion. Starting with the Constitution as the sole standard of appeal, it tries the leading provisions of the objectionable measure in succession, and in succession shows them to be at variance with the laws which even Congress must obey. The bill is condemned because at variance with the guarantees by which popular liberty is assured; at variance with the safeguards of American society and Government; at variance with the permanent interests of the race over whom an unwise philanthropy would extend a protection which the white man never knew.

The fact that the measure, as it was presented, is superfluous, is brought out plainly by a reference to the law under which a Freedmen's Bureau has for some time been in operation. If the present powers of the Bureau were equal to the emergencies of an enforced emancipation in a time of war, the fair presumption is that, in the main, they are adequate to all just requirements of a time of peace. Defects in the working of the machinery may have been discovered, and for these legislation may provide amendment. But beyond the minor matters of administration there can be no proper ground for change, and even for these Gen. GRANT suggested remedies that do not call for Congressional interference.

Under no circumstances can it be desirable to invest the Bureau with the attributes of permanence. Its creation was tolerable only because the exigencies of war rendered inevitable the use of extraordinary means; its continued existence after these exigencies have passed away would be a scandal and a wrong. If the negroes need permanent protection and provision—if they are to remain a distinct race, to be fed and provided for as a race of paupers—it might with some plausibility be alleged that Slavery was to them a happy and a proper lot. The justification of their emancipation depends upon their ability to take their place in the ranks of self-sustaining labor. The Bureau, therefore, should be regarded as but brief in its duration, and to permit it to assume proportions or exercise functions pertaining to a regularly organized department of the Government, would be to lay the foundation of a system hostile to ordinary civil authority, and in conflict with the genius of our republican institutions. We want no authority among us except the authority which is subordinate to civil law, enacted for the guidance and protection of all men, blacks included. Military authority in any shape would be intolerable were it other than temporary.

A bureau which presupposes a lasting diversity of interests between the white race and the black cannot but be injurious to both. Instead of being a pacifying agency, calculated to develop industry and harmony, it would foster perpetual jealousy and collision; the blacks, favored and specially protected, would settle down into laziness and vicious poverty; the whites, subjected to annoyance by a paltry authority, would cherish feelings growing more and more bitter as time passed on. The separation and alienation of races, which the true friend of the negro would deprecate most strongly, would be rendered unavoidable.

The problem to be solved is, how best to educate the negro into fitness for freedom and self-reliant industry. This should be all. Time is, of course, required for the task, but not the time which a vast organization, controlling enormous sums of money and wielding an enormous amount of patronage, would certainly consume. The inevitable tendency of such an institution would be to grow into permanence, and the danger of this should be guarded against most carefully. Meanwhile, the Bureau renders good service, organized as it is, and the President makes out a good case for objecting to any material enlargement of its power.

The manner in which the President rejects the patronage conferred upon him by the measure, is eminently worthy of the patriotism which has marked his course. To a corrupt or ambitious functionary, the temptation would have been irresistible. An army of office-holders would have been the creatures of his will. Millions upon millions would have been annually subject to his order. With such auxiliaries and such means of acquiring influence, a President might make himself absolute master of the political situation. These considerations, however, had no influence upon the judgment of ANDREW JOHNSON, save that they awakened in him a keener sense of the peril to liberty, economy, and official honesty, attendant upon the bill as it came from the halls of Congress.

And the President declares rightly, that it would be monstrous to force legislation of this character upon States that are deprived of all voice in Congress. Were the Southern representatives in their places, there would be no peculiar injustice in giving expression to the will of a merely radical majority. The question would then be one of principle and expediency. But with the representatives of the South debarred admittance, and their claims passed over insultingly as unworthy of notice, a measure peculiarly affecting Southern interests is neither politic nor right. Not right, because it violates the fundamental principle of popular government. Not politic, because it fosters sectional irritation, keeps alive a sense of sectional injustice, and makes the South a unit against the party having the mastery in Congress.

The views urged by the President in regard to the status of the South in the Union, and the right of the South to be represented at Washington, receive powerful support in the recent decision of the Supreme Court. This court is the constitutional arbiter in the vexed question which enters largely into the differences between the President and Congress; and the circumstance that all the occupants of the bench, with the single exception of Chief-Justice CHASE, have decided, in effect, that the States lately in rebellion are restored to their places in the Union, should silence the village Solons whose hair-splitting arguments fill so large a space in the columns of the official record.

Be the end of the contest between the President and his radical assailants what it may, the country is unequivocally on the side of the former. Before this crisis had been reached, ANDREW JOHNSON was relied upon by the people as the wise, determined and devoted champion of the Union. Unyielding in his warfare against disunion, as preached and practiced by Southern rebels, he was seen to be equally firm in his resistance to disunion schemes promulgated in Congress by Northern fanatics and factionists.

By this veto message he has elevated himself to a yet more commanding position. He stands to-day in the attitude of a patriotic President, exerting himself to stem the torrent of radicalism which threatens to sweep over and ruin the best interests of the country. And the people, as a people, appreciate his efforts, and are rallying to his assistance. Petty party cries and tricks are for the time forgotten. The choice is between the President and a whole Union and the radicals and a broken Union—between the President struggling to uphold the Constitution, and the radicals who would overturn the Constitution—and it is not difficult to prognosticate where will rest the victory.

BROADWAY.—The irreparable damage which the rent-raisers proposed to inflict upon Broadway and the business of the City is already beginning to be felt. We hear of many superb houses, which now enhance its splendor and give it variety and importance, making definite arrangements to move out of it. The largest book and album house on the street, now occupying one of its most imposing buildings, has already rented premises on a side street; and this is but one out of a score of similar cases of which we have heard within a few days. The only choice with many is either to get out of the street or to go out of business altogether; for the present or prospective profits of their business will not justify them in stipulating to pay such egregious rentals as are demanded. We are sorry that such houses should be forced to leave Broadway. Probably the buildings will find temporary tenants, whatever be the price demanded for their lease; but we doubt if they will be such as will long be able to keep up the popular glory of Broadway.

International Trade—Legislation or Treaty?

The Canadian delegates recently at Washington are assailed on their return home with a bitterness which is almost incomprehensible to those who judge of Provincial politics from a distant point. Their proposition to the Committee of Ways and Means is denounced as a surrender of Provincial interests; and they are further attacked for their willingness to base future commercial arrangements upon reciprocal legislation, instead of another treaty.

With the former of these grounds of assault, we, as outsiders, have nothing to do. The question involved lies between the Government and the people of the Province—not between the Province and this country. So far as we can judge, however, the course of Messrs. GALT and HOWLAND at Washington is sustained by the great body of the Provincial press; apparently, indeed, by nearly all but the few journals who reflect the views and echo the aspirations of politicians who, for reasons of their own, are inimical to the ministers composing the delegation. Our correspondent at Ottawa wrote us the other day, that the Province, as a whole, heartily indorses the terms offered, and as we think most unwisely rejected—and the statement tallies with information which reaches us through other channels. How could it be otherwise? Everybody in the Province is alive to the importance of reciprocity; everybody there is, or ought to be, aware that reciprocity in its old shape is unattainable; and everybody who will take trouble enough to ascertain the current of opinion in this country will have no difficulty in forming a judgment as to the propriety of the course pursued by the delegates. They studied the question on the spot, where, sooner or latter, it must be disposed of; they acknowledged the necessity of conceding much to the peculiar present circumstances of this country, without forgetting what is due to the interests of their own; and the result was a proposition which, though for the moment discarded, has already done much to remove the unfriendliness previously manifested toward their mission. A proposition evincing so much fairness, and withal so liberal an appreciation of the positions assumed by Mr. Secretary MCCULLOCH and the members of the Revenue Commission, cannot but commend itself to the calm judgment of a powerful party in Congress, and will ultimately be felt in the deliberations of the Committee whose extraordinary demands have meanwhile terminated negotiation.

Upon the question, Shall future arrangements be regulated by concurrent legislation or by a treaty? we are entitled to the expression of a more positive opinion. The Provincial press, or rather that small part of it which finds fault with the action of Messrs. GALT and HOWLAND, contends that it would be impolitic to subject plans of mutual commercial convenience and benefit to the vicissitudes of legislation. Mr. DERBY, an agent of our Treasury Department, urges the same view very emphatically. A new treaty is what he advocates at every stage of his argument.

As against Mr. DERBY we are content to place the judgment of his superior, Mr. Secretary MCCULLOCH, whose statement of the matter, embodied in his annual report, unquestionably meets the approval of Congress. A treaty accomplishes nothing which may not with equal facility be accomplished by legislation, while by the former the House of Representatives, whose committees are required to deal so carefully and so constantly with commerce and revenue, is deprived of a power which in these times it certainly should not forego.

As a matter of expediency, we submit that concurrent legislation is preferable to treaty stipulations. There is no inherent risk of change in legislation of the kind proposed, unless experience shows that the objects mutually desired have not been realized; and surely in *that* case, the opportunity of change is advantageous. Looking at the past, it is probable that had reciprocity rested simply upon legislation, we should not have now to contemplate its termination; for we may take it for granted that on both sides there would have been amendment, suggested by experience, and calculated to obviate the objections which at length proved fatal to the treaty. Neither this country nor Canada would have been likely to throw overboard an arrangement under which the trade of both increased prodigiously; nor is it likely that either would have refused to listen to the suggestions of the other in respect of changes called for by experience. The very opposite state of things might be supposed to exist. Mutual dependence would have produced mutual forbearance and consideration; grievances would have been redressed almost as quickly as they arose; every change would have been in the direction of a more enlarged instead of a more restricted intercourse; and to-day we might have had an extended and a real, growing reciprocity, instead of an abrogated treaty. The fact that legislation was impotent in the premises, gave birth to a rankling dissatisfaction, and this again culminated in the destruction of the treaty—not because our people were insensible to the benefits of the trade with the Provinces, but because the stipulations under which the trade had been carried on existed in a form which precluded every effort for their amendment.

This reasoning, applicable always, is especially applicable just now. Were a treaty now entered into, its provisions must be predicated upon the present necessities of our trade and finances, both of which suffer from causes which we would fain consider transitory. In both improvement is confidently hoped for. Trade, we trust, will gradually find its burdens lightened by the adoption of fiscal reforms of the nature indicated by the Revenue Commission; and finance, we believe, will become more healthy under the judicious application of the Treasury policy. When these things shall have been brought about, our ability to deal liberally with the Provinces will be greatly augmented. We may then talk of terms which are inadmissible as matters stand. The reasonable presumption, therefore, is, that in three or four years we shall be in a condition to legislate afresh on the question of reciprocity, on a basis more favorable to an enlarged interchange of products.

There is yet another consideration against a treaty which we are bound in candor to state. To negotiate for a new treaty, we must negotiate directly with England; our stipulations must be with England; our adjustment of terms must be with England. In that event, much beside reciprocity would enter into the question. There are unsettled balances on other accounts which would inevitably be brought in; other differences than those under the head of reciprocity would come up for settlement; so that altogether the chance of a liberal arrangement for the Provinces would be infinitesimal.

We prefer to negotiate with the Provinces themselves; to communicate with their representatives, and if possible to adjust our commercial relations with them in a manner that shall be profitable to both. We can do this by legislation, and by legislation only; and we shall be disappointed if the effort to do it be not soon renewed.

The President and the Judgment of the Country.

Study and reflection strengthens, in the public mind, the force of the President's objections to the Freedmen's Bureau Bill. The first feeling, which was one of regret that the President was constrained to withhold his approval, is succeeded by a sense of obligation that he has saved the country from evils that its passage would have entailed upon us. We could ill afford, burdened as we already are, to incur the fearful expenditure that the execution of such a law would involve. Our taxes are sufficiently onerous now, and they will be largely increased by pending claims.

Nor can the idea of a Government Almshouse for the support even of meritorious poor, whether white or black, be tolerated. We have given the colored man freedom. He is at liberty now to work for himself. And in this respect he must obey the universal law, which requires all to live by the sweat of their brow. Our duty is to stimulate the freedman to industry and economy. It is our further duty to protect him in his person and property; to see that the wages of labor are secured to him. Nor should we demoralize the freedmen by leaving them to rely upon the Government for support. In so far as the colored people are taught to look to bureaus for what they want, we are doing them harm. The country needs their labor, and they are, under the great change in their condition, in need of their earnings. If Congress would give its thoughts and action this direction, the freedmen would be benefited.

Rally, Friends, at Cooper Institute.

The meeting to-night is for the PRESIDENT and the UNION. We have spent too much money and shed too much blood in putting down rebellion, to leave the work of restoring the Union unfinished.

OLD ENGLAND.—In our latest London newspapers we read of some curious incidents which show the strange hold that old customs and laws have upon the English mind. One of these is the custom of searching in the Houses of Parliament for a Guy Faux, which always takes place previous to the opening of Parliament by the Queen in person, and which was repeated about two or three weeks ago. This ceremony has been regularly kept up since the period of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605, and is attended with all the grotesque formalities of the old times. We read of the Peers and Commoners, the marshals and heralds in blazing array, the yeomen with their halberds and swords, the high bailiff, the exon, bearing his silver stick, and all sorts of big beef-eating Englishmen, got up in all sorts of gorgeous styles, taking their lanterns in hand and marching in grand procession to search the Houses of Parliament for traitors and conspirators. Of course they made a thorough search, but they met with their usual disappointment in finding no Guy Faux in any cellar like that in which the great original concealed himself. "Not only," says the account in the *Morning Post*, "was there no conspirator concealed in the cellar, but, strange to say, *there are no cellars* in which he could conceal himself." This touches the climax of absurdity, but it is not too absurd for the England of the Nineteenth Century.

Another incident of which we read is the burial in English style of an unfortunate man who had committed *felo de se*. The old law which required the burial of a suicide in the highway with stakes driven through the body, is not now in force; but some of the repulsive features are still kept up. The suicide, in this case an old man and a fond husband, had lately lost his wife, which broke his heart and ruined his intellect, so that he could not endure his desolate life, and he destroyed himself. The poor old man was buried, so we are told, at midnight, in contumely and disgrace, and his only daughter was left penniless by the confiscation of his property.

One of the advantages of a reform Parliament, would probably be the correction, after a time, of such cruel and ridiculous laws and customs as these.

VEHICLES IN THE CITY.—The Common Council have passed an ordinance requiring railroad and car companies to have conspicuous lights placed in front of their vehicles, so that persons shall be warned of their approach. The ordinance is framed one for the better protection of life and property. The whole subject of reckless omission to exhibit lights, and of reckless driving also, is one that demands constant attention. There are very many conveyances which are quite as dangerous as passenger cars, but which, in the present miserable condition of the City in respect to public lamps, are almost invisible on dark nights, and are a source of dread to timid or feeble people. Many of these vehicles are bound by law to carry lamps, but do not. In the matter of speed and obstruction, also, there is great laxity of supervision. No cartman is allowed, according to the City ordinances, to stand his cart upon crosswalks, and may be summarily arrested and fined for so doing. Any citizen on foot may require such obstructing cart to be removed by the person in charge. Yet we have heard but of one case wherein the offending driver was brought to grief and compelled by the Mayor to pay the prescribed five dollars' fine. In the instance referred to, the call upon the patrolman to arrest was apparently a surprise no less to him than to the offender; and both appeared ignorant of the law. With respect to speed, also, there is an ordinance which is wholly neglected. No vehicle shall drive through the streets at a greater speed than six miles an hour, and shall turn corners *with the horses at a walk*. So says the law. How constantly this rule is infringed is known to everybody.

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minority report from a Board of Commissioners created by the last Congress, have presented to the public a specious argument in its favor.

The only honest and practical way in which the paper money of the country can be restored to a sound condition and made equal in value to the money of other countries with which we are connected by commerce, is by a gradual reduction of its amount until what remains shall circulate as the equivalent of coin, and can be converted into coin at the option of any holder. As soon as the contraction of the amount of "legal-tender notes" is commenced in earnest, and *so other paper money allowed to be substituted for it*, the premium on gold will decline, and foreign exchanges be in our favor. If the public understand and believe that the contraction is to be continued until the paper money remaining in circulation, whether issued by the Government or by the banks, is at par with coin, the export of specie will cease, the product of our gold and silver mines will be retained in the country, and gold will be imported from Europe.

Whenever the paper money is at par with coin, both will then circulate together again and constitute the money of the country. The banks can then resume specie payments. The gold which has accumulated in the Treasury may then aid in the resumption; the coin paid for the interest on the public debt will no longer be hoarded by those who receive it, but be deposited in the banks, as in former times; and the excess of gold which has accumulated, beyond what is required for payment of interest, may be paid to the banks for the certificates of temporary deposits in the Treasury, which the banks of the large cities now hold and use to make their daily settlements at the Clearing-house. With coin substituted for those certificates, and so long as the banks continue to hold the same amount in coin as they now hold in certificates, there seems to be no good reason why it may not be as easy to settle their balances in coin as it is now to settle them with the certificates.

In former years, before the suspension of specie payments, the banks in the City of New-York rarely held twenty millions of dollars in coin. The average amount of specie in all the banks of the United States for five years prior to the suspension of specie payments in 1861 was about eighty millions of dollars, and previous to that period it was usually less than sixty millions. Now there are nearly seventy millions of coin in the Sub-Treasury and in the National Banks; and whenever it is determined to resume specie payments this amount of coin will be largely increased from the hoards now held by individuals all over the country.

I do not wish to be understood as advocating an immediate resumption of specie payments. Even if I thought it practicable, I should not deem it advisable. Time must be taken to prepare for it; but the preparatory steps can and should be commenced now. The people should understand that in the opinion of Congress the policy should be adopted of reducing gradually the amount of paper money until its value is restored and made equal to that of coin. The length of time which may be required to accomplish this is dependent on circumstances that Congress can neither foresee nor determine. But it seems to me the duty of this Congress that some policy which will indicate their intention, and bring about resumption at the earliest period in which it can be accomplished without affecting injuriously the great interests of the labor and capital of the country.

The first step in that direction, in my opinion, should be to exchange the interest-bearing legal-tender notes for long bonds; and, at the same time, to reduce the rate of interest on temporary loans to at least four or five per centum. This reduction of the rate of interest on temporary loans would enhance the value of certificates of indebtedness, which bear six per cent. interest; and, being payable at a period fixed by the Treasury Department, they are a more convenient form of loan, while at the same time they provide a mode of anticipating the revenue at times when it may be needed.

When the interest-bearing legal-tender notes are withdrawn, and the amount of them funded, there would remain of paper money in circulation, beside the National Bank notes, only the United States notes and the fractional currency, which bear no interest. Before reducing the amount of those Government notes by converting them into interest-bearing bonds, it should be considered how far the circulation of bank notes, which are equally paper money, and equally effective in causing its depreciation, ought to be restricted; and whether the banks, also, may not assist and contribute in the work of restoring the money of the country to a sound condition.

When the only unfunded obligations of the Government are the legal-tender notes and fractional currency, costing nothing for interest, we can more easily determine to what extent, and when, they shall be withdrawn from circulation. They now constitute a fund or loan upon which the people have realized from the Government to the amount of over 450 millions without any cost to the Government for interest. Any contraction of this loan from the people, and before the consent to their conversion into bonds that will require the addition of twenty-seven millions of dollars to the annual payment for interest, I wish to know how much benefit is to be derived by assuming so large an increase to the amount of interest we now have to pay; and also, for whose benefit it will be. I have always believed that the action of the banks has had, and will continue to have, much effect in depreciating the value of the paper money as any action of the Government; though it may be said that at first the necessities of the Government provided the occasion for the banks. If paper money is convenient and desirable while the privilege of furnishing it is of such great value, it may be questioned whether the Government can afford to resign the privilege to others; and particularly at this time, when it is so desirable to diminish rather than increase the amount of taxation.

To withdraw only the interest-bearing legal-tender notes may appear to be insufficient for the purpose of contracting the currency; but knowing, as I do, the use made by the banks of this class of notes, my belief is that it will prove more restrictive than is generally supposed, and particularly so if the amendment of the Banking Law, which has been referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency by a resolution of the House, should be adopted, to prevent those notes being included as lawful money in the reserves which the National Banks are obliged to hold for the redemption of their liabilities. The law which authorized their issue provides that any Treasury note bearing interest shall not be a legal tender in payment or redemption of any notes issued by any banks. They are a sort of hybrid, part loan and part money, and are not now used as money to any extent, except by banks that count them in either of their anomalous characters, and use them as a basis for extending their own issues.

The foreign exchanges are now in favor of this country, as shown by the fact that while the actual par of exchange on London is about nine per centum, the price currents quote it as selling in New-York at 7¼ per centum for bankers' bills, and as low as four per centum for other bills. If the present premium on gold could be relied upon, or if the dollar of currency represented a dollar of gold, it would be profitable to send exchange to England to import coin. Having myself twice seen the experiment made in this country of resuming specie payments, and in both instances without producing any disturbance of business, I have not the apprehension expressed by some in regard to the effect it would now have on the business of the country, if made at the proper time and judiciously conducted. I believe that specie payments could be sustained now with a much larger amount of notes convertible into coin, than formerly under the system of state banks as it existed in many parts of the country.

It has been said that the "United States notes" and the "fractional currency" took the place of the coin which had previously circulated. It is very certain that they did not displace the bank notes, for they have increased in amount instead of being diminished since the issue of the United States notes. While the supply of money was regulated by the State banks there never was, in my opinion, a suitable amount of money for the proper conduct of the business of the country. It seems to me that the Treasury could resume specie payments without regard to the banks; and that the United States notes could be continued in circulation as the equivalent of coin, after specie payments were resumed; and until there was a sufficient amount of coin in the country to supply their place. The "United States notes" would be more convenient for use within the United States; and, so long as the foreign exchanges were in favor of this country, there would be no legitimate demand upon the Treasury to redeem the notes in coin.

During the past four years the great object of all the financial bills before Congress has been to provide means to carry on the war. That necessity having passed, no more loan bills are required. It is our duty to be cautious in determining upon the changes to be made in the regulation of the money of the country, involving as it does the value of all property, and affecting the interest of every one in the community. My chief objections to withdrawing the United States notes from circulation by converting them into bonds are, besides the expense that would be incurred for interest on the bonds, my belief that a larger amount of money than formerly is now required for the business of the country, and my fear that some other paper money not so good may be allowed to take their place, by which the country would be further than ever from a currency convertible into coin.

The Loan Bill passed by the last Congress, approved March 3, 1865, empowered the Secretary of the Treasury to issue bonds of any description authorized by that act for the purpose of converting into such bonds "any Treasury notes or other obligations bearing interest issued under any act of Congress." This is the power which the Secretary of the Treasury has now. He is authorized to issue bonds for any period not less than five, nor more than forty years from their date, the rate of interest not to exceed six per centum, but only for the purpose of converting or funding other interest-bearing obligations. The bill under consideration proposes to amend that act so as to enlarge the power, so far as to permit the Secretary of the Treasury, when he deems it expedient, to convert obligations not bearing interest; and also to dispose of any of the bonds, either in this country or in Europe, for the purpose only of retiring other obligations, but not for any increase of the public debt. This amendment authorizes any of the bonds disposed of in any foreign country to be expressed, and the principal and interest paid in the currency of that country, but limits the rate of interest on them not to exceed five per centum. I understand that the Secretary does not expect to use this power, but deems it important that it should be given to him, to be exercised only in case circumstances may arise that, in his opinion, would render it advantageous and expedient.

The power to borrow money under the act of last year is exhausted; and the amendment of that act proposed by this bill does not authorize any new loan; its only object is to facilitate the funding of existing obligations.

Mr. KELLY took exception to the remarks of the members of the Committee of Ways and Means who had just preceded him. They had offered no argument excepting such as had been wrung from the past. The return of specie payment and the extinguishment of the National debt were most desirable; but caution is speed when dangers are in the way. He argued that, to redeem non-interest-bearing notes, would lead to bankruptcy, for, if fifty millions of greenbacks were called in, every National Bank would be compelled to sell the National securities in their possession to meet the contraction. They should act with caution. Although he had confidence in the Secretary of the Treasury, the latter was only a financier, and the present crisis demanded the wisest statesmanship. He warned gentlemen not to give anyone the power to contract or threaten to contract the currency; while there should be no increase of the currency, there should be no increase of the public debt. We should foster our home industry and keep our mineral wealth. Labor should be relieved of many of the burdens which now oppress it; and with our largely increasing fields of agriculture and mechanical arts, five or ten years would quietly and safely bring us to specie payments.

The further consideration of the Loan Bill was postponed till Wednesday.

COAL AND NAVAL STORE.

On motion of JOHN L. THOMAS, a resolution was adopted requesting the Secretary of the Navy to furnish information to the House, at what cost to Government a suitable location for a coal and naval store can be located at or near Canton, in the City of Baltimore.

The House adjourned until Friday.

The Vetoed Bill.

As many of our readers have doubtless forgotten the Freedmen's Bureau Bill, now conspicuously important in consequence of the President's Veto, we reproduce it, as adopted by the Senate:

SECTION 1. That the act to establish a Bureau for the Relief of Freedmen and Refugees, approved March 3, 1865, shall continue in force until otherwise provided by law; shall extend to refugees and freedmen in certain parts of the United States; and the President may divide the section of country containing such refugees and freedmen into districts, each containing one or more States not to exceed twelve in number; and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate appoint an Assistant Commissioner for each of said districts, who shall give the same bond and receive the same compensation and perform the same duties prescribed by this and the act to which this is an amendment; or said bureau may in the discretion of the President be placed under a Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner, to be detailed from the army, in which event each officer so assigned to duty shall serve without increase of pay or allowances.

SEC. 2. That the Commissioner, with the approval of the President, shall divide each district into a number of sub-districts, not to exceed the number of counties or parishes in each State, and shall assign to each sub-district at least one agent, either a citizen, an officer of the army or enlisted man, who, if an officer, shall serve without additional compensation or allowance; and if a citizen or enlisted man, shall receive a salary not exceeding $1,500 per annum, and such agent shall, before entering on the duties of his office, take the oath prescribed in the first section of the act to which this is an amendment. Each Assistant Commissioner may employ not exceeding six clerks, one of the third class and five of the first class; and each agent of a sub-district may employ two clerks of the first class. And the President of the United States, through the War Department and the Commissioner, shall extend military jurisdiction over all the employees of the bureau in the several States, for the purpose of the duties imposed or authorized by this act or the act to which this act is supplementary.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of War may direct such issues of provisions, clothing, fuel and other supplies, including medical stores and transportation, and afford such aid, medical or otherwise, as he may deem needful for the immediate and temporary shelter and supply of destitute and suffering refugees and freedmen and their wives and children, under such rules and regulations as he may direct.

SEC. 4. That the President be authorized to reserve from sale, or from settlement under the Homestead or Preemption laws, and to set apart for the use of freedmen and loyal refugees unoccupied public lands in Florida, Mississippi and Arkansas, not exceeding in all three millions of acres of good land; and the Commissioner, under the direction of the President, shall cause the same from time to time to be allotted and consigned in parcels not exceeding forty acres each to the loyal refugees and freedmen, who shall be protected in the use and enjoyment thereof for such term of time and at such annual rent as may be agreed upon by the Commissioner and such refugees and freedmen. The rental shall be based upon a valuation of the land to be ascertained in such manner as the Commissioner may, under direction of the President, by regulation prescribe at the end of such term, or sooner if the Commissioner shall assent thereto. The occupants of any parcels assigned may purchase land and receive the title thereto from the United States in fee, upon payment therefor the value of the land ascertained as aforesaid.

SEC. 5. That the occupants of land under Major-Gen. SHERMAN'S Special Field Order, dated at Savannah, Jan. 16, 1865, are hereby confirmed in their possessions for the period of three years from the date of said order, and no person shall be disturbed in or ousted from said occupation during said three years unless a settlement shall be made with the said occupant by the owner satisfactory to the Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau.

SEC. 6. That the Commissioner shall, under the direction of the President, procure in the name of the United States, by grant or purchase, such lands within the districts aforesaid as may be required for refugees and freedmen, dependent on the Government for support, and as shall provide or cause to be built suitable asylums and schools. But no such purchase shall be made, nor contract for the same entered upon, nor other expense incurred, until after appropriations shall have been provided by Congress for the general purposes of this act, out of which payments for said lands shall be made; and the Commission shall cause such lands from time to time to be valued, allotted, assigned and sold, in the manner and form provided in the preceding sections, provided always that the said lands shall not be sold for less than the cost thereof to the United States.

SEC. 7. That whenever in any State or district in which the ordinary course of judicial proceedings has been interrupted by the rebellion, and wherein, in consequence of any State or local law, ordinance, police, or other regulation, custom or prejudice, any of the civil rights or immunities belonging to white persons, including the right to make and inforce general contracts, to sue, to be parties and give evidence, to inherit, purchase, lease, sell, hold and convey real and personal property, and to have full and equal benefit of all laws and proceedings for the security of person and estate, are refused or denied to negroes, mulattoes or freedmen, or refugees, or any other persons on account of race, color, or any previous condition of slavery or involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, or wherein they, or any of them, are subjected to any other or different punishment, pains or penalties, for the commission of any act or offence than are prescribed for white persons committing like acts or offences, it shall be the duty of the President of the United States, through the Commissioner, to extend military protection and jurisdiction over all cases affecting such persons so discriminated against.

SEC. 8. That any person who, under color of any State or local law, ordinance, police or other regulation or custom, shall, in any State or district in which the ordinary course of judicial proceedings has been interrupted by the rebellion, subject or cause to be subjected any negro, mulatto, freedman, refugee or other person on account of race or color, or any previous condition of slavery or involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, or for any other cause, to the deprivation of any civil right secured to white persons, or to any other or different punishment than white persons are subject to for the commission of like acts or offences, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be punished by a fine not exceeding $1,000, or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both; and it shall be the duty of the officers and agents of this bureau to take jurisdiction of and hear and determine an offence committed against the provisions of this section, and also of all cases affecting negroes, mulattoes, freedmen, refugees or other persons who are discriminated against in any of the particulars mentioned in the preceding section of this act, under such rules and regulations as the President, through the War Department, shall prescribe. The jurisdiction conferred by this section on the officers and agents of this bureau is to cease and determine whenever the discrimination on account of which it is conferred ceases, and in no event to be exercised in any State in which the ordinary course of judicial proceedings has not been interrupted by the rebellion, nor in any State after it shall have been fully restored in all its constitutional relations to the United States and the courts of the States and of the United States within the same are not disturbed or stopped in the peaceable courts of justice.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

Evidence—Proof of Marriage—Presumption of Marriage Based upon Cohabitation and Common Repute—Exclusion of Judicial Records—Marriage Registers, Official and Private—Wills as Evidence of Declarations Therein Made.

Chief Justice Chase presiding.

Richard S. Blackburne, plaintiff in error, vs. *George T. Craufurd et al.*—In December, 1859, Dr. David Craufurd, of Prince George County, Maryland, died intestate, leaving in that county a large and valuable landed estate. Immediately upon his decease, Richard S. Blackburne, the plaintiff in error, assumed possession of the estate under circumstances which will appear, claiming, together with several other parties, residents of the State of Virginia, whom he represented to be entitled to the same, as next of kin, being first cousins to deceased.

On the 2d of October, 1860, George T. Craufurd and his three sisters, brought an action of ejectment in the Circuit Court for the County to recover possession of the estate—they being the children of Thomas B. Craufurd, the only brother of the intestate, (who died prior to the death of the intestate,) and therefore claiming as next of kin, and nearer than Blackburne and his co-claimants. On Blackburne's suggestion that he was a resident of the State of Virginia, the cause was removed for trial to the Circuit Court of the United States for the district of Maryland, where it was heard at the November term, 1862, and resulted in favor of the lessors of the defendants in error.

The case turned on the question of marriage and legitimacy. The defendants in error were admitted to be the children of Thomas B. Craufurd, by one Elizabeth Taylor, by the plaintiff in error, and it was conceded that if they were the legitimate offspring of a marriage between those parties, then their title as heirs-at-law of the intestate was unquestionable. Blackburne, on behalf of remoter collaterals, insisted that those lessors were the fruit of illicit intercourse between their father and mother, and upon this hypothesis he claimed that he was entitled to a verdict. The sole question at issue, therefore, was that of marriage between the father and mother of the defendants in error—whether, first, they were legally married; and, second, if not proven to be married by legal rites, whether marriage was to be presumed from the cohabitation of the parties, and their public recognition of each other as husband and wife.

On the trial the Court found that from all the circumstances shown in the case, cohabitation, recognition, &c., marriage between the parties was a presumption of law, and judgment was therefore for the defendant in error, establishing their legitimacy and title to the estate as heirs-at-law of the intestate.

Numerous exceptions were taken to the rulings of the Court, but those mainly relied on in support of an appeal taken from that judgment to this Court, are the following:

I. It was error for the Court to permit plaintiff (below) to read to the Jury the declarations of a Mrs. Evans, to the effect that Elizabeth Taylor, her sister, was married to Thomas B. Craufurd, although there was no evidence whatever to show that she was related by blood or marriage to Craufurd, and through him to the interests whose estate is in controversy. It is contended that the rule is, in such cases, "restricted to the declarations of deceased persons, who are related by blood or marriage to the person, and, therefore, interested in the succession." In support of this position, Greenleaf, section 103, and a number of other authorities, were cited. It is also urged that before the declarations of a member of one family can be admitted as evidence of the traditions of another family, it must be shown by evidence *aliunde*, that the two families are connected by marriage; that the fact of marriage is the condition which renders the declaration admissible, and it cannot be established by the declaration itself; that it was error for the Court to allow a witness to testify to the existence of a register of marriages at a certain time, and of his recollection of seeing certain entries therein, without accounting for the absence of the register itself, by the testimony of its proper custodian. In this case it was not shown that the party who testified that he could not find the record, was its proper custodian, or that he had access to its usual repository; nor was it shown how, or where, or to what extent he had searched for the register. But to have entitled the record itself to be read, it was contended it should be shown, first, that the entry was made by the person who officiated on the occasion; second, that the entry was made recently after the event which is registered; and third, that the person making the entry was dead.

II. That it was error for the Court to permit the reading of the official register of baptism of St. Patrick's Church, in order to prove the date of the marriage of Thomas B. Craufurd and Elizabeth Taylor, she having testified that the marriage was celebrated at the baptism of their second child by the pastor of that church; that as the register was not required to be kept by law, it was not evidence *per se* of the truth of the entry; nor was the entry made evidence by proof that it was in the handwriting of Father Feziac, the officiating clergyman; that Father Feziac should have been produced and examined on that point.

III. That it was error for the Court to allow the following entry to be read, with proof that it was in the handwriting of Rev. J. P. Donnelan, Assistant Pastor of St. Patrick's Church: "1863, July 30. George Thomas, son of Thomas Craufurd and Elizabeth Taylor, his wife, born 7th Sept., 1836. Sponsors, John and Sarah Evans."

There was no law requiring such registry to be kept, and therefore it was not admissible as evidence, *per se*. Rev. J. P. Donnelan was alive and accessible, and could have been examined; and it was noised he could have spoken only to the fact of baptism, as there was nothing shown from which it can be inferred that the relation of husband and wife existed between the parties, or was admitted by either of them, or was in fact known to him.

IV. That the Court erred in excluding the record of certain judicial proceedings of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, and of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, (transmitted to those Courts from the Orphans' Court of the county for a determination of the rights of the contesting applicants for letters of administration,) whereby it was adjudged and affirmed that Thomas B. Craufurd was never married to Elizabeth Taylor, either before or after the birth of George T. Craufurd. This evidence was offered first as an estoppel on the question of marriage as against all the lessors of the plaintiff, (defendant in error;) and, second, as an estoppel against George T. Craufurd, one of the lessors; and, third, as *prima facie* evidence to support the issue on the part of the plaintiff in error. The appellant insists that this evidence ought to have been admitted as conclusive on the point of marriage.

V. That the Court erred in refusing permission to the defendant (below) to read to the jury all that part of a deposition of Father Feziac, (taken in France,) in which he speaks of the contents of a private memorandum of marriages, kept by him, and not produced. Father Feziac, who was alleged to be the officiating clergyman on the occasion of the marriage of the parties in question, had said that there was no official register of marriages kept, but that he kept a private memorandum of all marriages celebrated by him, but this marriage did not there appear; still that was no evidence, in his mind, that he did not marry the parties. The appellant now insists that the witness examined in France was not bound, on the requisition of any one, to surrender his private memorandum. And as he had stated that no entry of such a marriage appeared therein, he negatived the right of the parties to inspect, and the necessity for inspection. A number of other objections to this ruling were also submitted.

VI. That the Court erred in excluding the original will of Intestate wherein he referred to George T. Craufurd as "my natural son," and to others of the plaintiff (below) as his "natural children."

VII. That the Court erred in refusing defendant below permission to show that Elizabeth Taylor, before her illicit intercourse with Craufurd, had been debauched, &c., which evidence was offered to meet evidence of her previous virtue, proposed to be given by the plaintiff below.

VIII. That the Court erred in certain instructions to the Jury on prayer and of its own motion.

The argument of the defendants in error is in support of the above rulings of the Court on each point of objection raised by appellant. In respect to the exclusion of the records of the Circuit Court and the Court of Appeals, it is contended that they were properly excluded as irregular; that the transcript of proceedings containing the verdict on the issues sent from the Orphans' Court was never returned from the Court of Appeals to the court of law which tried the case, as required by law, but was directly carried to the Orphans' Court and filed there; that the law requires the transcript to be certified under the seal of the Circuit Court which tried the case; and that in consequence of this irregularity the record of those proceedings was defective and properly excluded. That the letters of administration to Blackburne, granted on the verdict returned to the Orphans' Court, were granted without any legal evidence of the verdict on the issue, and therefore void. That the Court below, Thomas S. Alexander and Reverdy Johnson for appellant; E. W. Belt, R. T. Merrick, B. J. Brent and T. G. Pratt for appellees.

THE MEXICAN QUESTION.

OUR PARIS CORRESPONDENCE.

The Back-down of M. Drouyn de Lhuys on the Mexican Question—Effect of the Publication of the Diplomatic Correspondence—Great Tumble in Mexican Bonds—Departure of Reinforcements for Mexico.

PARIS, Friday, Feb. 2, 1866.

From all sides we hear confirmed what I stated to you in my last letter, to the effect that an understanding had been come to on the Mexican question. The understanding here appears to be based on a promise of non-intervention on the part of the United States; that is to say, France is to withdraw her troops this year, and the United States are to observe a neutrality between MAXIMILIAN and the Mexican people. But of course you know more about this at home than we do here.

In general it is admitted that M. DROUYN DE LHUYS has backed out this far—that having in the first place demanded, as a condition of the withdrawal of the troops, a promise of the recognition of MAXIMILIAN, he now only asks as a condition, the promise to let MAXIMILIAN alone, and to give him a fair chance with the Mexican people.

For the Government people this is an immense difference, notwithstanding they profess to believe that MAXIMILIAN is able to maintain himself alone. But somehow or other they had allowed themselves to become immensely confident in being able to go on in Mexico after the war, about as they had been going on before its termination, and thus Mr. SEWARD'S dispatches of the 6th and 16th of December became to them one of those bitter pills men have only to swallow once in their lifetime.

The publication of the whole of the correspondence on this Mexican question only took place two days ago, and the last letters of the French Foreign Secretary have given more satisfaction than the first ones. Nevertheless, great excitement continues to prevail on the subject, and the Mexican bonds, which at first did not show much alarm, are now tumbling down at a fearful rate. From all quarters we hear demands on the Government to know whether the debts created with Mexico are to be respected or not, for, they say, but for the promises of the Government in sustaining MAXIMILIAN these debts never would have been contracted. Large quantities of goods have been sent to Mexico on trust, to French and Mexican merchants fixed in that country, and large quantities of Mexican bonds have been thrown upon the French market, and are held by the people in general, and it is not astonishing that these people, seeing the change that has taken place in Mexican affairs, should begin to clamor against the Government.

I may state here in passing that in the increase, which the Emperor referred to in his speech, of the commerce between France and Mexico, must be included the immense number of goods sent out on speculation, and for a large quantity of which one may safely predict there will be no return. This is not a fair way to make up statistics, but some allowance must be made for the exigencies of the case.

The Sixth Battalion of the Foreign Legion, formed in the African Province of Oran, and destined for Mexico, has just left for that country to join the five other regiments of the Legion now there. This reinforcement will give to the Legion an effective force of 7,000 combatants; and when the French troops retire from Mexico, this Legion will remain there and change its flag and nationality. These 7,000 soldiers, made up entirely by volunteering, and composed for the most part of superior fighting material, will form the principal safeguard of MAXIMILIAN. We would like to ask in this connection what difference there is in the political status of MAXIMILIAN *vis-à-vis* the United States whether the French maintain MAXIMILIAN themselves, by staying in the country, or whether they perpetuate him by forming before they leave, and under their protection, a force that will continue to accomplish the work they were accomplishing? Where is the difference, if in either case there is military force enough to prevent a free expression of the will of the people?

This whole question will be discussed again before the French Legislature in a fortnight, and the Minister of State may then probably be able to give more information of value on this subject.

The visit of Mr. SEWARD to St. Thomas and to the residence of Gen. SANTA ANNA is attracting much attention and provoking many comments as to its probable cause. The *Moniteur* gives a letter on the subject, and states, among other things, that the people of the island were highly delighted with the affability and variety of conversation of the distinguished American statesman. The English papers say that the visit made a great excitement in the island, and that among other conjectures as to the object of the visit, was that he had come to lay a plan for the purchase of the Danish islands.

The remark of the Emperor in his speech that the present French Constitution resembled in some sort that of the United States—referring to the non-responsibility of Ministers—has not escaped the comment it deserves. The American Constitution gives freedom of speech, of the Press, and of reunion, the three great wants of a civilized people; whereas the French Constitution gives neither, and to compare the two because the Ministers in each country are not responsible, is a stretch of comparison so good a reasoner as NAPOLEON ought not to have been guilty of.

MALAKOFF.

LATER FROM SOUTH AMERICA.

The Mediation Movement—Quarrel between Chili and Uruguay—The Chilian and Spanish War.

Files of Valparaiso and Santiago papers have been received here up to the 16th of January.

The news of the rumored mediation of France and England in the Spanish-Chilian war has been regarded with much favor in Chili, or deemed of great importance. It is not expected that Spain will voluntarily relinquish her pretensions.

There is an acrimonious diplomatic quarrel going on between Chili and Uruguay. The latter power refuses to allow Chilian privateers to bring the Spanish prizes they may capture into her ports, and determines to maintain a strict neutrality during the war. The interchange of notes was continued until the offended Uruguayan Government revoked the *exequatur* of the Chilian Minister, and issued a decree prohibiting the arrival and sale of prizes, and threatening with severe penalties all who should infringe upon the neutrality laws.

The approaching retirement of Mr. NELSON, the United States Minister to Chili, is much regretted. He was the senior member of the Diplomatic Corps, and his remonstrances with Admiral PAREJA are believed to have saved the city of Valparaiso from bombardment.

The Spanish fleet has raised the blockade of Caldera, and the vessels engaged in it were, at latest accounts, at anchor off Valparaiso. The object of this naval movement was not known.

An engagement had taken place at Calderilla, between a part of the blockading force and the Chilian garrison there. The assailants were repulsed.

THE NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

Passage of the Patterson and Newark Railroad Bill—An Indorsement of President Johnson's Policy.

TRENTON, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Senate to-day passed the Patterson and Newark Railroad Bill. This bill has now passed both Houses.

Mr. TRUESDALE (Dem.) presented a concurrent resolution, that we have full faith in the ability, patriotism and fidelity of ANDREW JOHNSON, President of the United States, and that we have confidence in him as the Executive of the National Government.

An effort was made to put off present action, but it failed, and the resolution was passed.

Washington's Birthday.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

WASHINGTON'S Birthday will be celebrated in this city with more than usual spirit. Business will be suspended, and a number of military organizations will parade during the day, including the Old National Guard. The Military Order of the Loyal League of the United States will hold a meeting at noon at the Academy of Music. The Fire Department will turn out to receive the Hibernia Steam Engine, which has been doing service, during the war, at Washington.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The anniversary of WASHINGTON'S birth being a legal holiday in Massachusetts, it will be very generally observed to-morrow. The Public Schools, Courts, Custom-house and many places of business will be closed.

CHICAGO, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The Board of Trade and the principal places of business will be closed to-morrow.

The Texas State Convention.

AUSTIN, Texas, Thursday, Feb. 15, } via NEW-ORLEANS, Wednesday, Feb. 21. }

The Texas State Convention is still engaged in making out business, but is doing very little.

Mr. JONES, of Baxter County, offered a proposition to divide Texas into three States for the purpose of effecting a balance of power in the Union.

The Committee on Elections reported that four of the Delegates had not been pardoned.

The majority of the Committee on the subject of changing the State Constitution reported favorably, while the minority reported that they were in favor of changing the Constitution only so far as it would tend to reëstablish the relations of the State to the General Government.

The majority report was laid on the table by a vote of 57 to 28.

The Virginia State Legislature—Usury Laws and Railroad Schemes.

RICHMOND, Va., Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The bill amending the Usury Laws was again rejected in the House to-day.

The Senate passed the Valley Railroad Bill, with a proviso that the road shall not connect with the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad until the Covington Railroad is completed.

The Senate also passed the House bill authorizing the construction of a railroad to Lynchburgh and Danville.

The above railroad schemes were protested against by Gov. PEIRPONT in a lengthy message communicated to the Legislature about ten days ago.

Feniansism.

PITTSBURG, Penn., Wednesday, Feb. 21.

At the afternoon session of the Fenian Congress today, the report of Gen. SWEENEY, the Secretary of War, was made the special order for 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

All the delegates present pledged themselves to sustain the Constitution adopted at Philadelphia.

The pledge was taken by each delegation in turn, making a most impressive scene.

A number of letters were read sustaining the Congress.

Senators DOMME, of Illinois, and CAREY, of New-York, handed in their resignations, which were accepted, and a committee to report names to fill vacancies in the Senate was appointed.

Senators SCANLON and BANNON also tendered their resignations, which were laid on the table.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Monday, Feb. 20.

About thirty Government horses were sold here to-day at an average price of $167 apiece, and a lot of mules at an average of $143.

The steamer *Fanny*, from Baltimore for Savannah, put in yesterday, the weather outside being stormy. She sailed again last night.

Schooner *P. A. Sanders*, from Norfolk for New-York, sailed to-day.

Arrived at Norfolk:

Schooner *Mary Morris*, from York River.

Schooner *Billow*, from New-York.

Schooner *Sarah Ann*, from Baltimore.

The New Bridge Over the Hudson—Correction.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The locomotive "Troy" passed over the new Hudson River bridge this afternoon with two loaded lumber cars. There will be no formal opening of the bridge to-morrow as announced, although it is probable that a train with the directors will pass over.

ISAAC BUTTS, of Rochester, was not a party to the suit with the Bank of Montreal, as published in the papers of the State. H. C. BELTIS, a Canadian, is the party interested.

The New-Jersey Senate on the Veto.

TRENTON, N. J., Wednesday, Feb. 21.

Senator WINFIELD (Democrat) offered a resolution to-day indorsing ANDREW JOHNSON'S veto of the Freedman's Bureau Bill. On motion of Mr. SCOVEL, President of the Senate, the resolutions were laid on the table.

Murder Trial at Elizabeth, N. J.—Verdict of Guilty.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The trial of JAMES GLENNON, for the murder of his wife, was concluded here to-day. The speeches of his counsel, R. S. GREEN and D. S. BANGHARDT, Esqr., were able and eloquent, the latter occupying about four hours. The jury retired about 8 o'clock.

SECOND DISPATCH.

ELIZABETH, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The jury have brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, with a recommendation to mercy.

From San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The mining share market is declining. Savage, $590; Ophir, $430; Chollar Potosi, $310; Imperial, $120; Crown Point, $975; Yellow Jacket, $375. Alpha, $240. Legal-tenders, 73@73¼.

Amusements.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—DONIZETTI'S Opera of "Il Poliuto" was given here last evening with much effect, the artists being all in excellent voice. The orchestra and chorus were also good. "Don Pasquale," which was to have been played, has been temporarily withdrawn.

On Friday "Don Sebastian" will be given for the last time, and on Saturday, at 11 o'clock, there will be a matinee performance of "Ione."

WINTER GARDEN.—A good average representation of the "Lady of Lyons" was given here last evening. The cast included several of the leading members of Mr. STUART'S company, which, we may here add, is one of the best in the city. It was rendered additionally interesting by the *début* of Mr. EDWARD DE MONDION as *Claude Melnotte*. The gentleman has a pleasing voice and an easy stage presence. He reads sensibly and without affectation, although it is clear that his style is modeled on that of a predecessor. He gave a calm and unruffled impersonation of the gardener prince, and was warmly applauded by a large and appreciative audience.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—A new five-act comedy called "Society"—recently brought out on the London stage—will be produced here to-night. The distribution includes all the best artists of the company.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.—The management of this popular amusement has announced a special matinée to-day, at 2½ o'clock. WASHINGTON'S Birthday now being a general holiday, we have no doubt that numbers of ladies and children will observe it by attending those pleasurable entertainments that are invariably given at the establishment on Fourteenth-street.

MISS BATEMAN IN BROOKLYN.—It is not often that a prophet is honored in his own country, we believe, but Miss BATEMAN'S engagement and success at the Brooklyn Academy demonstrates very clearly that an actress is not only honored, but enthusiastically applauded in her own city. Her second appearance filled the Academy to overflowing, and the performance was a simple repetition of her triumphs at Niblo's Garden, where, however, she had a better general support, and the play was far better mounted. She plays also to-morrow night.

SOMNAMBULA IN BROOKLYN.—"Somnambula" is a very pleasant opera, and the principal *rôle* affords Miss KELLOGG an admirable opportunity for the perfect display of her peculiar fascinations. We are not informed of the absolute number of requests made for the production of this opera, but we are not at all disinclined to credit the rumor that Postmaster LINCOLN was compelled to hire a small boy to carry an extra bag with MARETZEK'S mail. The house will be crowded, and Miss KELLOGG, with the rest of the admirable cast, will receive an uproarious welcome.

PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.—At the approaching concert of the Philharmonic Society extraordinary attractions are to be put forward. In addition to the superb orchestral programme already announced, we learn from the Treasurer, Dr. HULL, that Signor MAZZOLENI and Mme. ORTOLANI BRIGNOLI are engaged as the vocalists of the evening.

Arrival of the City of Baltimore.

The steamship *City of Baltimore* arrived this morning at half-past 2 o'clock. News anticipated.

Protection of American Labor.

The working men in different manufacturing establishments throughout the country, are circulating, for subscription by mechanics, the following petition for such an alteration of the tariff as will protect their labor against the efforts of British capitalists and manufacturers to drive them out of the American market:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

The undersigned, mechanics and laborers in American manufacturing establishments, and members of that great creative force whose hands built and equipped our navy and supplied the materials that armed, equipped and kept the nation's armies in the field, and literally saved its life, represent:

That the material well-being, happiness and independence of ourselves and our families, depend on the sale of our daily labor. It is for our interest, as well as the interest of our country, that there should be many bidders for this labor, and that the demand for skilled and unskilled workmen should be steady and active. Domestic manufactures, so prosperous as to possess our own markets, will always give us this demand.

The legislative increase of the tariff, as a revenue measure, during the war, and its further and great augmentation by the enhancement of gold, almost fully secured to Americans the natural right to do their own work. We were actively employed; our wages were good; our comforts multiplied; our wives and daughters were clad as the women of a free commonwealth should be clad; our children went to the best schools; our homes were happy; many of us laid by of our earnings, and those surplus means gladly lent to the Government when it called to the people for money to carry on the war.

From this height of Freedom and well-being, we are in immediate danger of being brought down to the level and condition of the ill-paid labor of Europe, by three causes.

First—The decline of gold has already lost to us the protection of that "Accidental Tariff" which its high price gave. Its continued decline to par must inevitably be followed either by a ruinous reduction in our wages, or the closing of the manufacturing establishments in which we are employed.

Second—The amount of the Internal Revenue tax upon the products of our labor, countervails in a great many cases the Customs duties on similar products imported from abroad, and in some of the most important, operates as a premium to importation. This disproportion between excise and customs is a discrimination against our labor which will be fatal to it, if not corrected.

Third—The present tariff is not sufficient to give us equality with the English in the competition for the possession of our own markets. With their mammoth accumulations of manufacturing wealth, the low rate of interest at which they can command immense sums of money, their absolute control of cheap labor, their abund

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Offers will be received until the 1st day of March proximo for $350,000 of the Consolidated Sinking Fund Convertible Mortgage Bonds of this company. These bonds are a portion of $2,000,000, issued for the purpose of providing additional rolling stock required to accommodate the growing business of the company, and for the segment of the road now in process of construction to Omaha, on the Missouri; and the mortgage provides for a further issue of $500,000 more of said bonds ($2,500,000 in all) hereafter, for the same purpose, if such issue shall be found necessary.
The bonds bear date Jan. 16, 1865, carry seven per cent. interest, payable quarterly in New-York; have fifty years to run, and are secured by a mortgage to Samuel J. Tilden, Esq., upon all the company's lines of road and equipment in the States of Illinois and Wisconsin, amounting to about 300 miles, which lines are now free from all other mortgage. This mortgage, together with all other liens, amount in the aggregate to only $20,000 per mile upon the road.
Provision is made for the mortgage for the absorption, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, of all prior liens into this class of bonds, in the expectation that eventually all the bonds of the company will be exchanged for these, leaving this class of bonds the only mortgage lien upon the company's entire lines of road.
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By order of the Board of Directors.
H. H. BOODY, Agent.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1866.

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WHEREAS, BY SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that the Mechanics' and Traders' National Bank, in the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, has been duly organized under and according to the requirements of the act of Congress entitled an Act to provide a national currency, secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof, approved June 3, 1864, and has complied with all the requirements of said act required to be complied with before commencing business under said act.
Now, therefore, I, FREEMAN CLARKE, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that the Mechanics' and Traders' National Bank of the City of New-York, in the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, is authorized to commence the business of banking, under the act aforesaid.
In testimony whereof, witness my hand and seal of office, this 23d day of December, 1865.
FREEMAN CLARK, Comptroller.
[SEAL.]
No. 1,624.

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Agent for the sale of landed estates, mines, tobacco and cotton lands in Virginia, Tennessee, Texas and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida; also offers properties of great value, many of which cover gold, copper, lead, plumbago, iron and coal mines, water power and mineral springs. The fullest information in regard to the above may be obtained through this office.
REFERENCES.
Messrs. Gilman, Son & Co. John Gerrey, M. D., U. S. Messrs. M. K. Jesup & Co. Assay Office.
Messrs. Phelps, Dodge & Co. Messrs. Satterlee & Co.
Messrs. A. R. Wetmore & Co. Messrs. Lathrop, Ludington & Co.
Gilman, Wilson G. Hunt, Esq. ton & Co.

STATE OF NEW-YORK, BANK DEPARTMENT.
ALBANY, Oct. 3, 1865.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT to chapter 236, laws of 1839, and 478 laws of 1865, that the circulating notes of "THE MECHANICS' BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK," a banking association, located in said city, will be redeemed at par, by the Superintendent of the Banking Department, on presentation at the New-York State National Bank, in the City of Albany, and at the Merchants' National Bank in the City of New-York, in that city, for six years from the date hereof, and not thereafter. The outstanding notes of said bank, must be presented as aforesaid, within six years from the date hereof; and all notes which shall not be presented for redemption within the period within this time specified, will cease to be a lien upon the fund in the hands of the Superintendent for that purpose.
EDWARD HAND, Superintendent.
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BANK DEPARTMENT, ALBANY, Jan. 16, 1866.
NOTICE HAVING BEEN FILED IN this Department, pursuant to law, by WOOSTER SHERMAN, an individual banker, proprietor of Wooster Sherman's Bank, at Watertown, Jefferson County, that the said banker has changed his residence: Notice is hereby given that the said banker resides in the city of New-York, where the business of the said bank will be hereafter conducted. Place of business No. 8 Nassau-st.
G. W. SCHUYLER, Superintendent.

FOR SALE—BROADWAY AND 17TH-AV. DRY DOCK EAST BROADWAY AND 36TH-ST. BLEECKER-ST. AND FULTON FERRY RAILROAD STOCK AND BONDS AT A VERY LIBERAL DISCOUNT. Apply to S. R. JACOBS, NO. 1 NEW-ST., CORNER OF WALL.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Quicksilver Mining Company will be held at the Continental Hotel in the City of Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, 1866, at 1 o'clock P. M.
J. B. RANDOL, Sec.

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS and other States—No. 5 Beekman-st., Room No. 1, first floor over Park Bank.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

BANKERS,
NO. 44 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,
KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND FOR
IMMEDIATE DELIVERY,
ALL ISSUES OF
UNITED STATES STOCKS,
INCLUDING
6 PER CENT. BONDS OF 1881.
6 PER CENT. 5-20 BONDS OF 1852.
6 PER CENT. 5-20 BONDS OF 1864.
6 PER CENT. 5-20 BONDS OF 1865.
5 PER CENT. 10-40 BONDS.
7 3-10 PER CENT. TREASURY NOTES, 1ST, 2D AND 3D SERIES.
6 PER CENT. CURRENCY CERTIFICATES.
ORDERS from BANKS and BANKERS, for the PURCHASE and SALE of Government Stocks executed ON FAVORABLE TERMS and with DISPATCH.
Also for all securities dealt in at the Stock Exchange.
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES OF 1864 BOUGHT and SOLD. VERMILYE & CO.

UNION BANK OF LONDON,
NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.
BELFAST BANKING CO., IRELAND.
We issue a sight draft on the above, in sums to suit.

TAYLOR BROTHERS.

NO. 17 WALL-ST.

INSURANCE SCRIP.
WM. C. GILMAN, No. 45 Pine-st.,
Has for sale the following desirable Insurance Scrip:
$5,000 Atlantic Mutual Scrip.
$5,000 Sun Mutual Scrip.
$5,000 New-York Mutual Scrip.
$5,000 Orient Mutual Scrip.
$2,500 Commercial Mutual Scrip.
$3,500 Great Western Marine Scrip.
$1,500 Security Fire Scrip.
$1,000 Market Fire Scrip.

TELEGRAPH AND EXPRESS STOCKS.
AMERICAN EXPRESS,
UNITED STATES EXPRESS, } For sale.
ADAMS EXPRESS,
NATIONAL BANKERS' EXPRESS wanted.
AMERICAN TELEGRAPH,
UNITED STATES TELEGRAPH, } For sale.
Apply to GEO. C. DUNBAR,
No. 46 Pine-st.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 27, 1866.
THE TRUSTEES, IN CONFORMITY TO the charter of the company, submit the following statement of its affairs on the 31st December, 1865:
Premiums received on marine risks, from 1st January, 1865, to 31st December, 1865.$6,933,146 80
Premiums on policies not marked off 1st January, 1865.2,919,324 73
Total amount of Marine Premiums.$9,852,471 53
The policies have been issued upon life risks nor upon fire risks disconnected with marine risks.
Premiums marked off from 1st January, 1865, to 31st December, 1865.$6,764,146 38
Losses paid during the same period.$3,659,178 45
Returns of premiums and expenses.$992,341 44
The company has the following assets, viz.:
United States and State, New-York Stock.
City, Bank, and other stocks.$4,828,585 00
Loans secured by stocks, and otherwise.3,330,350 00
Real estate and bonds and mortgages.221,360 00
Dividends on stocks, interest on bonds and mortgages, and other loans, sundry notes, reinsurance and other claims due the company, estimated at.144,964 43
Premium notes and bills receivable.3,283,801 98
Cash in bank, coin.80,462 60
Cash in bank, United States Treasury Note.310,551 78
Currency.
Total amount of assets.$12,199,975 17
Six per cent. interest on the outstanding certificates of profits will be paid to the holders thereof or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 6th of February next.
Fifty per cent. of the outstanding certificates of the issue of 1864, will be redeemed and paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 6th February next, from which date interest on the amount, so redeemable, will cease. The certificates to be produced at the time of payment and canceled to the extent paid.
A dividend of 35 per cent. is declared on the net earned premiums of this company, for the year ending 31st December, 1865, for which certificates will be issued on and after Tuesday, the 3d of April next.
By order of the board,
J. H. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

TRUSTEES.
JOHN D. JONES, WM. STURGIS,
CHARLES DENNIS, HENRY K. BOGERT,
W. H. H. MOORE, JOSHUA J. HENRY,
HENRY PARISH, ROBERT B. MINTURN,
SAM'L PICKERSGILL, JOSEPH GAILLARD, JR.,
LEWIS CURTIS, J. HENRY BURGY,
CHARLES H. RUSSELL, JOHN H. GRINNELL,
LOWELL HOLBROOK, C. A. HAND,
R. WARREN WESTON, B. J. HOWLAND,
ROYAL PHELPS, BENJ. BABCOCK,
CALEB BARSTOW, FLETCHER WESTRAY,
P. PILLOT, ROBT. B. MINTURN, JR.,
WM. E. DODGE, GORDON W. BURNHAM,
GEO. G. HOBSON, FREDERICK DEPEYSTER,
DAVID LANE, JAMES LOW,
JAMES BRICE, GEO. S. STEPHENSON,
LEROY M. WILEY, WILLIAM H. WEBB.
DANIEL S. MILLIKEN,
JOHN D. JONES, President.
CHARLES DENNIS, Vice-President.
WM. H. H. MOORE, Second Vice-President.
J. D. HEWLETT, Third Vice-President.

THE CHICAGO AND GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY offer for sale $1,850,000 of their First Mortgage Sinking Fund, convertible bonds, due April 1, 1865, bearing seven per cent. interest, payable in Chicago on the first days of April and October in each year, being the entire balance of the bonds which the Company is authorized to sell under the provisions of a mortgage to Thomas Denny, George T. Bruce and James D. Fish, Trustees for $5,000,000, covering the whole line of the Company's road, from Chicago, Ill., to Richmond, Ind., 291 miles, with the franchises, equipment and appurtenances, and all other present and future acquired property.
The proceeds of these bonds now offered will extinguish the whole outstanding floating debt of the Company, and provide for the purchase of a large amount of additional rolling stock.
For copy of mortgage and further particulars, apply at the office of the Company, No. 37 William-st., New-York, where subscriptions for the bonds will be received.
Dated NEW-YORK, Feb. 13, 1866.

BROAD TOP COAL AND IRON COMPANY,
OFFICE, No. 26 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 21, 1866.
AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company, held at Morrisville, Penn., Feb. 13, 1866, the following gentlemen
Messrs. WILLIAM REED,
WILLIAM FLAGG,
SAMUEL SLOAN,
R. H. BELDEN,
ALFRED EDWARDS,
HILO HOLLISTER,
CHRISTOPHER MYERS,
were elected Directors.
At a subsequent meeting of the Board, Mr. WILLIAM REED was unanimously reelected President, and Mr. WILLIAM FLAGG Vice-President, for the ensuing year.
FRED. G. SCHIBA, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
No. 261 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 20, 1866.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE annual election for ten Directors of this Company, constituting the Board for the ensuing year, will be held at this office on MONDAY, the 5th day of March, proximo, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock P. M. By order.
JOHN EADIE, Secretary.

NOTICE.
NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
The business of this Company in New-York will continue as hitherto at the office, No. 87 Broadway; and, in consequence of the death of the late C. H. Edwards, Esq., he carried on for the present by the undersigned.
J. D. NAR, Acting Manager.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Daily Man Petroleum Company will be held at the Howard Hotel, corner of Broadway and Maiden-lane, on TUESDAY, March 6, 1866, at 1½ o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such business as may be brought before the meeting. The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 21 to March 7.
JAMES MILLIGAN, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the ASHBURTON COAL COMPANY, for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of general business, will be held at the office of the company, No. 32 Pine-st., Room No. 10, New-York, on the 10th day of March next, at 12 o'clock noon, and at the Continental Hotel, corner of 9th and Chestnut sts., Philadelphia, on the 13th day of March next, at 2 P. M.
CHAS. A. BERRIAN, Sec'y.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI R. R. Co.,
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 1, 1866.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors and for the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, March 7, 1866. The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 10 until Feb. 22.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

PRESTON COAL AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY,
No. 205½ WALNUT-STREET,
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19, 1866.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKholders and election for Directors of this Company will be held at the office of the Company on WEDNESDAY, March 7, 1866. H. F. RUTTER, Secretary.

OWEN'S LAKE SILVER LEAD COMPANY.—The annual meeting of stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and other purposes, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 78 Cedar-st., on MONDAY, March 5. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M. Transfer Books will be closed from March 1 to March 6.
CHAS. W. BOND, Secretary.

RACINE CITY BONDS.—THE UNDERSIGNED are prepared to purchase a limited number of these bonds at 25 per cent.
LOCKWOOD & CO.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NEW-YORK COMMON PLEAS—HIRAM STUDLEY against NORMAN EWER.—Pursuant to an order of the Court entered in this action, I, the subscriber, receiver of the property and effects of "Studley's Express Company," will sell at public auction, on FRIDAY, the twenty-third day of February instant, at the stables, numbers twenty-five and twenty-seven East twenty-eighth-street, in the City of New-York, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, by James M. Miller, auctioneer, nineteen horses, ten wagons, two large transfer coaches, fourteen sets of harness, wagon tops and covers, &c., two iron safes, desks, clock, and stable and office furniture, which sale will be entirely for cash. The horses, &c., may be seen at the stables.
Dated, NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1866.
NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Receiver.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSELLE, EDWARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, Notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against JOHN SAUNDERS, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the Executors, at the late place of business of deceased; No. 7 Astor House, in the City of New-York, and on or before the 1st day of August, next. Dated Jan. 24, 1866.
SAMUEL SAUNDERS, } Executors.
ADAM SAUNDERS. }
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BRIGGS' CURATIVE FOR CORNS, BUNIons, in-growing nails, tender feet, &c. Sold by druggists and sent by mail. Dr. BRIGGS, Surgeon Chiropodist, Nos. 208 and 210 Broadway.

DIVIDENDS.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY.
TWENTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.
A dividend of Four per Cent., free of Government tax, has been declared, payable on and after the 20th of February, at No. 122 Bowery.
WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.
Feb. 8, 1866.

OFFICE OF UNITED PETROLEUM FARMS ASSOCIATION, No. 9 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 19, 1866.
THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNITED PETROLEUM FARMS ASSOCIATION have this day declared a dividend of One Per Cent. on the capital stock of the Company, payable March 5, 1866. Transfer books will be closed from Feb. 23 to March 5, both days inclusive.
AUSTIN STEVENS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 21, 1866.
THIRTY-FIRST DIVIDEND.—NOTICE IS hereby given that the Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of five (5) per cent. on the net earnings of the quarter ending Jan. 31, payable at the office of the company on WEDNESDAY, 28th inst., upon the capital stock, and to which of the scrip stock as has been declared paid.
The transfer books will be closed Thursday, the 22d inst., and reopened Friday, March 2. By order of the Board of Directors.
THEODORE T. JOHNSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BUERKHOFF RUM PETROLEUM CO.,
No. 36 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 17, 1866.
THE TRUSTEES OF THE BUERKHOFF RUM PETROLEUM COMPANY have this day declared a regular monthly dividend of
FIVE (5) PER CENT.
on the capital stock of the Company, payable on and after the 3d of March proximo. The books will be closed from the 24d to the 28th of March inclusive.
WILLIAM CLARKE, President.
J. McMASTER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE STOUT COAL COMPANY,
ROOM No. 44 TRINITY BUILDING,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 19, 1866.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of this company have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) per cent. free of government tax, and payable on the 1st day of March, 1866, at the office of the company, No. 44 Trinity Building, New-York City. Transfer books will close on the 20th inst., and open on the 2d of March.
W. M. LARRABEE, Secretary.

OFFICE GREENWICH INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 7, 1866.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) Per Cent., free of government tax, and payable to the stockholders at their office, No. 172 Broadway, on and after the 12th inst. Transfer books closed until that date.
By order, JAMES HARRISON, Sec'y.

OFFICE OF THE ENDEAVALE COAL COMPANY,
ROOM No. 44, TRINITY BUILDING,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 7, 1866.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of six (6) per cent. on the capital stock, payable on demand at the office of the company.
G. LEE STOCK, Treasurer.

SIXTY-FIRST DIVIDEND.—THE UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per cent., free of government tax, payable on demand, and carried Three (3) per cent. to surplus account, out of the earnings of the last six months.
SURPLUS JAN. 1, 1866, $120,000.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1866.
W. W. UNDERHILL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE SECURITY INSURANCE CO.,
No. 119 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 12, 1866.
THE DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared the usual Semi-annual Dividend of Three and One-half per cent., free of government tax payable to stockholders on demand. By order.
RICHARD L. HAYDOCK, Secretary.

DIVIDEND—BLIVEN PETROLEUM COMPANY, No. 24 Cliff-st., New-York. The trustees of this company have declared a dividend of three (3) per cent. on the Capital Stock, payable on and after Monday, Feb. 19, 1866. The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 16 to Feb. 19.
F. J. DOMINICK, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK
HAS REMOVED TO NO. 10 COOPER INSTITUTE, 3d-av., during the erection of its Banking-house. Bank open daily from 10 to 2 P. M. and on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS from 5 to 7 P. M.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
W. J. BARNES, Sec. ISAAC T. SMITH, Pres't.

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WADE B. WORRALL, Sec'y. PETER CUMMING, Act't.

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NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK, CORNER of 14th-st. and 8th-av. Open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.; on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 o'clock. SIX PER CENT. INTEREST allowed, free from Government Tax. Deposits made on or before March 1 draw interest from March 1.
THOMAS CHRISTY, President.
R. H. BULL, Secretary.

PROPOSALS

ARMY SUPPLIES.
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE, No. 4 STATE-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 21, 1866.
SEALED PROPOSALS (IN DUPLICATE) WILL be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., for supplying, for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn as follows, viz.:
1,000 barrels PORK—MESS or PRIME MESS—of the old and new crop, in full-hooped oak or ash barrels, with two hoops painted red, and the brands plainly stenciled. Mess Pork to be of the best quality, and well weight and thoroughly salted. Bidders will state when their pork was packed, and the brands; also, the kind of barrel.
The pork to be received at such inspection yards as shall be agreed to by the undersigned.
1,000 barrels of first quality extra superfine Southern, Ohio or Indiana FLOUR, *suitable for keeping in a warm climate.* The brands and places of manufacture to be stated in the bids, and whether in round or flat hoop barrels. The barrels to be in good shipping order, full lead-lined and bungs sealed.
100,000 pounds of clean, dry BROWN SUGAR, in barrels; to be new and of the best in use for the purpose, and be fully inspected.
Bids may be made in bond or duty paid.
57 barrels New No. 1 MACKEREL.
The above articles required for immediate delivery.
Separate proposals, *in duplicate*, must be made for each article enumerated, and bidders may propose for the whole or any part of each.
Samples of the Pork and Sugar must be delivered with the proposals, and referred to therein.
A printed copy of this advertisement must be attached to each proposal, and the proposals must be specific in complying precisely with all the terms. Each bid, to have consideration, must contain the written guaranty of two responsible names, as follows:
"We, the undersigned, hereby guarantee that should all or any part of the above bid be accepted, it shall be duly fulfilled according to its true purport and conditions; also, that a written contract, with bonds to the amount of one-fourth of the value of the stores proposed to be furnished, shall be executed, if required by law."
The seller's name, place of business and the date of purchase, as well as the name of contents, and shipping marks to be hereafter designated, if required by the order on every package. All other old marks must be obliterated.
Certificates of inspection by professional packers or inspectors, *other than the party furnishing the provisions*, will be required for the meat, certifying on the part of the seller their present quality and condition, and the immediately preceding inspection.
The meat will also be examined and passed upon by parties from this office on the part of the United States.
The stores will be inspected at the date of delivery, and compared with the retained samples by an inspector appointed by this office.
Proposals will be made in currency or its equivalent, as soon as funds are received for the purpose.
Contractors are expected to hold their goods without expense to the United States until required for shipment.
Blanks for Proposals will be furnished at this office, which must be inclosed in an envelope addressed to the undersigned, and indorsed, "Proposals for Subsistence Stores."
F. H. CLARKE,
Brevet Brig.-Gen. and A. C. G. S.

OFFICE CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT,
Feb. 14, 1866.
TO STONE-BLOCK PAVERS.—SEPArate sealed proposals, each indorsed with the title of the work for which it may be offered, the name of bidder and the date of the offering, will be received at this office until 11 o'clock A. M., of WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28, 1866, at which hour they will be publicly opened, for the construction of stone-block pavement on the following streets, viz.: 87th-st., from 5th to 9th avs.; 79th-st., from 5th-av. to East River; 49th-st., from 9th to 10th avs.; 44th-st., from Broadway to 9th-av.; and 3d-av., from 126th to 129th sts.
Specifications and blank forms for the proposals can be obtained on application at this office.
THOMAS JONES, } Croton
ROBT. L. DARRAGH, } Aqueduct
A. W. CRAVEN, } Board.

OFFICE OF CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,
MILITARY DIVISION OF THE GULF,
NEW-ORLEANS, La., Dec. 1, 1865.
SEALED PROPOSALS ARE INVITED and will be received at this office until 12 M. March 1, 1866, for the purchase of sixty-six (66) camels, the property of the United States, now at Camp Verde, near San Antonio, Texas.
Bids may be made for one or more of these animals.
Each envelope containing a bid should be sealed and addressed, Colonel D. C. Sortelle, Chief Quartermaster Military Division of the Gulf, New Orleans, La.
The Government reserves the right to reject any bids deemed too low.
Payment to be made in U. S. Currency upon the acceptance of any proposal, and prior to the delivery of the camels to the successful bidders, at Galveston, Texas.
C. G. SAWTELLE,
Colonel and Chief Quartermaster Military Division of the Gulf, Brv. Col. U. S. Army.

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AUCTION SALES.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT STEAMERS AND VESSEL EFFECTS.
DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 16, 1866.
MILITARY DIVISION OF THE GULF.
NEW-ORLEANS, La., Feb. 7, 1866.
Will be sold at Baltimore, Md., under direction of Capt. A. M. CUMMING, A. Q. M., on THURSDAY, March 1, 1866, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Government wharf, south side of the basin, the following-named vessels and other effects belonging to the Government viz:
The ESCORT, side-wheel steamer of 440 tons, wooden hull and bottom metaled; length on deck, 181 feet; breadth of beam, 26 feet; over all, 50 feet; draft, 8½ feet; has one low-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder, 40 inches; stroke of piston, 10 feet; capacity of cargo, 400 barrels. She is in fine running order, and well found in all her outfits.
The MANHATTAN, side-wheel steamer of 316 tons, wooden hull; length on deck, 150 feet; breadth of beam, 28 feet; over all, 58 feet; depth of hold, 10 feet; draft, 7 feet; has one low-pressure engine; diameter of cylinder, 24 inches; stroke of piston, 7 feet; capacity of cargo, 1,000 barrels. She is in good order, and well found in all her outfits.
The JOHN FARROW, side-wheel steamer of 314 tons, wooden hull; length on deck, 150 feet; beam, 28 feet; over all, 42½ feet; depth of hold, 8 feet; draft, 6 feet; has one low-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder, 36 inches; stroke of piston, 8 feet; and is well found in anchors, chains and general outfits.
The PEQUOD, side-wheel steamer of 313 tons, wooden hull, iron-fastened and metaled in 1863; length on on hull, iron-fastened and metaled in 1863; length on deck, 148 feet; breadth of beam, 26 feet; over all, 40 feet; depth of hold, 8 feet; draft, 4½ feet; has one low-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder, 34 inches, stroke of piston, 10½ feet; capacity of cargo, 800 barrels; hull engine and boiler all in good condition, and well found in her outfits.
The HUGH JENKINS, side-wheel steamer of 306 tons, wooden hull, and bottom metalled; length on deck, 160 feet; breadth of beam, 27 feet; over all, 46 feet; depth of hold, 7½ feet; draft, 5½ feet; has one low-pressure beam engine, diameter of cylinder, 32 inches; stroke of piston, 9 feet; draft, 5½ feet; has one boiler, 32 feet, 6 inches; depth of hold, 9 feet 11 inches

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VIRGINIA	3,270	Prowse.
HIBERNIA	3,313	Ogilvie.

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For freight or cabin passage, apply at the office of the Company, No. 87 Broadway.

J. D. NAAR, Manager.

For steerage passage at THOMPSON'S Passage Office, No. 276 Pearl-st., and at the Company's Office, No. 87 Broadway.

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NOUVEAU MONDE	3,204 tons	800-horse power
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EUROPE	3,204 tons	800-horse power
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ST. LAURENT		1,200-horse power
FRANCE		1,200-horse power
VILLE DE PARIS		1,200-horse power

Leaving Pier No. 50 North River.
NOUVEAU MONDE, Capt. PH. VALENCY, Friday, Mar 2
(New sidewheel steamer)
Carrying only cabin passengers.

Semi-monthly departures of the new steamers just completed will commence in March.

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin, $135; second cabin, $80, including table wine for either class.

Passengers intending to land at Brest will be furnished here with railroad coupon tickets, and their baggage checked to Paris, at an additional charge of $6 for first and $2 for second class.

Medical attendance free of charge.

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BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

AND

BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

AUSTRALASIAN leaves New-York Wednesday, Feb. 21.
CANADA leaves Boston Wednesday, Feb. 28.
CUBA leaves New-York Wednesday, March 7.
ASIA leaves Boston Wednesday, March 14.
JAVA leaves New-York Wednesday, March 21.
AFRICA leaves Boston Wednesday, March 28.
And every twenty-eight days thereafter.

PRICES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL:

Chief Cabin Passage	$132 50
Second Cabin Passage	80 00

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Chief Cabin Passage	$112 50
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Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.

Berths not secured until paid for.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The former ships will not be accountable for Specie or Valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
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ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

The New-York and Havre Steamship Company's first-class mail steamships ARAGO and FULTON, having been thoroughly refitted, will leave Pier No. 47 North River for Havre, calling at Falmouth, on the following days, at noon, precisely:

ARAGO.....HENRY A. GARDEN.....March 17, 1866.
FULTON.....JAMES A. WOTTON.....April 14, 1866.
ARAGO.....HENRY A. GARDEN.....May 12, 1866.
FULTON.....JAMES A. WOTTON.....June 9, 1866.
ARAGO.....HENRY A. GARDEN.....July 7, 1866.
And every twenty-eight days thereafter.

PRICES OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin.....$132 50 | Second cabin.....$80 00

Through tickets to London, $5 extra.

An experienced surgeon on board.

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For further information, apply to
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THE NORTH AMERICAN LLOYD'S

Well-known first-class mail steamships, having been thoroughly refitted, with comfortable accommodations for passengers of all classes, will leave Pier No 42 North River, for Bremen, calling at Cowes, on the following WEDNESDAYS:

ATLANTIC, 3,000 tons, 1,600-horse power, CHARLES HOYER, Commander, 22d February.
BALTIC, 3,600 tons, 1,600-horse power, 15th March.
ATLANTIC, 3,000 tons, 1,600-horse power, 12th April.
WESTERN METROPOLIS, 2,600 tons, 1,000-horse power, 26th April.

Prices of passage payable in gold.
First Cabin, $105; Second Cabin, $62 50; Steerage, $37 50.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The company will not be responsible for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

For freight or passage apply to
RUGER BROS., General Agents, No. 45 Beaver-st.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LLOYD'S steamship ATLANTIC, CHAS. HOYER commander, carrying the United States Mail, will sail from Pier No. 42 N. R., THURSDAY, 22d Feb., at 12 o'clock M., for Brest, to connect with trains for London, Havre, Southampton and Bremen. First cabin, $105; second cabin, $62 50; steerage, $37 50, payable in gold or its equivalent. For freight and passage apply to RUGER BROS., General Agents, No. 45 Beaver-st.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT Queenstown. The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails.

CITY OF LIMERICK.....WEDNESDAY.....Feb. 21
CITY OF LONDON.....SATURDAY.....Feb. 24
CITY OF DUBLIN.....WEDNESDAY.....Feb. 28
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....SATURDAY.....March 3
and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.

First Cabin	$80	Steerage	$30
First Cabin to London	85	Steerage to London	33
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Passage by the Wednesday steamers: First Cabin, $90; Steerage, $35. Payable in U. S. currency.

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FOR HAVANA DIRECT.

The United States mail side-wheel steamship
MORRO CASTLE,
R. ADAMS, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage apply to
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No. 29 Broadway.

N. B.—The favorite steamer EAGLE, J. J. LAWRENCE, Commander, will succeed the MORRO CASTLE and leave on March 7.

UNITED STATES MAIL LINE FOR RIO DE JANEIRO.
CALLING AT
ST. THOMAS, PARA, PERNAMBUCO AND BAHIA
EVERY TRIP.

THE UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
will dispatch regularly, on the 28th of each month, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 43 North River,
ONE OF THEIR NEW FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIPS,
THE
SOUTH AMERICA.
E. L. TINKHAPAUGH, Commander,
ON WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH OF FEBRUARY.

An experienced Surgeon is attached to each steamship.

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Large lots of heavy freight at low rates.

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GOING TO THE WHARF AT RICHMOND.
The new and elegant SIDE-WHEEL steamships
HATTERAS, Capt. LEWIS PARRISH, every SATURDAY.
ALBEMARLE, Capt. H. A. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, 4 P. M.
FROM PIER NO. 36 NORTH RIVER.
Freight for Newbern, N. C., and all points on Roanoke River, as far as Halifax, forwarded by our agent at Norfolk, free of charge.
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Goods consigned to our address promptly forwarded.
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The OLD LINE, from Pier No. 21, North River.
NIAGARA, Capt. COOPER,
EVERY SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
SARATOGA, Capt. KING
EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.
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FOR GALVESTON, INDIANOLA, AND LAVACCA, TEXAS.
The splendid fast-sailing side-wheel steamship LILLIAN, Capt. J. B. CHILDERS, is receiving cargo at Pier No. 13 North River, and will sail WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21, having the capacity only for the bulk of 5,000 barrels flight freight. For which or passage having elegant accommodations, apply to R. LOWDEN, Agent,
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Of first-class steamships.
The favorite and fast steamship
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FOR MOBILE DIRECT.
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The first-class steamships
GULF CITY, Capt. JAMES STEWART.
GULF STREAM, Capt. ROBERT MOUNT.
VICKSBURGH, Capt. WILLIAM F. MCCREERY.
CARONDOLET, Capt. E. C. WILLIAMS.
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For freight or passage, with superior accommodations, apply to SMITH & DUNNING,
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Extra freight will be charged on all goods for which bills of lading are not taken out before the steamer sails.

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1st, ARIZONA, connecting with GOLDEN CITY.
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21st, NEW-YORK, connecting with CONSTITUTION.

Departures of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for SOUTH PACIFIC PORTS; 1st and 11th for CENTRAL AMERICAN PORTS. These of 1st touch at MANZANILLO.

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An experienced surgeon on board. Medicines and attendance free.

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F. W. G. BELLOWS, Agent.

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Having completed arrangements with the PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY and the CENTRAL AMERICAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, we are now prepared to receive and forward WITH DESPATCH all kinds of goods to and from points on the SOUTH PACIFIC and CENTRAL AMERICAN COAST, under THROUGH BILL OF LADING at GREATLY REDUCED RATES.

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Passage rates through to Augusta, Macon, Thomasville, Darien, Brunswick, St. Mary's, Fernandina, Jacksonville, and Palatka.

The favorite side-wheel steamship
SAN SALVADOR,
JOSHUA ATKINS, Commander,
Will sail for Savannah direct from Pier No. 13, North river, foot of Oedar-st., on SATURDAY, Feb. 24, promptly at 3 o'clock.

Freight received daily and handled carefully.

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FOR SAVANNAH. PIONEER LINE.
Cabin passage $25. Deck $10.
EVERY THURSDAY.

Landing cargo in Savannah on the following Monday morning.

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For freight, at lowest rates, or passage, having first-class accommodations, apply to
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Agents in Savannah,
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OCTAVUS COHEN, Agent, Savannah.

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First-class steamships, and superior accommodations for passengers.

$40 FIRST CABIN PASSAGE.

The well-known and popular steamship
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WM. LEHIGHAN, Jr., Commander,
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Freight at current rates.
Bills of lading furnished and signed on the pier.
Cabin very commodious and elegantly furnished.
First cabin passage

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The above low rate includes meals and state-rooms.
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will leave Pier No. 13, North River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 24, at 3 P. M. This line is now prepared to receive freight at all times during business hours, upon the pier No. 13 North River. Bills of lading furnished and signed at the office, No. 36 West-st.

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GEO. A. FORDICK, Agent at New-Orleans.

NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
The New-York Mail Steamship Company's steamship SAVANNAH will leave on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28, and the EVENING STAR on SATURDAY, March 3, at 3 P. M., from the Company's pier, No. 43 North River.

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FOR NEW ORLEANS DIRECT.
The new and first-class steamship GEORGE WASHINGTON, Capt. F. V. BLAIR, will leave Pier No. 8, North River, on SATURDAY, March 3, at 3 P. M. For freight or passage, with unsurpassed accommodations, apply to H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 36 West-st.
MESHANNOCK will follow on SATURDAY, March 3.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.
PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
EMILY B. SOUDER.....Capt. H. LOCKWOOD.
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The above splendid steamships will leave every THURSDAY, at 12 M., from Pier No. 37 North River, invariably landing cargo at Charleston on Monday morning.

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Consignees of Charleston, ARCHIBALD, GETTY & CO. All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

EXPRESSES.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES EXPRESS COMPANY,
No. 52 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.

THE UNITED STATES EXPRESS COMPANY have made arrangements to extend their express lines, on the 1st of June next, west of the Missouri River to Denver and the mining districts of Colorado, and they will be prepared on the 1st of July next to extend them further to Salt Lake, Montana and Idaho.

They will also be prepared to give through bills of lading at their dispatch line for heavy freight to the above named points.

C. A. DE WITT,
General Superintendent.
FEB. 14, 1866.

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On and after MONDAY, Jan. 1, 1866, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:

7:30 A. M. via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., connecting with trains for North and West.

10 A. M. via Hudson River Railroad, connecting with Northern and Western trains.

11 A. M. via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting with trains for North and West.

3:30 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Troy with train for Montreal, with sleeping-cars attached.

4 P. M. via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with Rensselaer and Saratoga and Troy and Boston, for points North, with sleeping-cars attached.

6 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad; stopping-cars from New-York to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change. Also, to Montreal via Saratoga. This train runs on Sunday.

10 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad; with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany and Troy with morning trains for North and West.

WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

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9:30 A. M.—Milk and Way Train, daily, for Otisville.

12 M.—Mail and Express Train, for Dunkirk, Salamanca, and Dunkirk, connecting with Lake Shore and Atlantic and Great Western Railways.

4:00 P. M.—Way Train, for Port Jervis and Newburgh.

5:00 P. M.—Night Express, for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.

6:00 P. M.—Lightning Express, Daily, for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca and Dunkirk and West; connects at Buffalo with Lake Shore and Grand Trunk Railways, and at Salamanca, with Atlantic and Great Western Railways.

6:30 P. M.—Emigrant Train, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and West.

HUGH RIDDLE, General Superintendent.
H. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent, N. York.

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On and after MONDAY, Feb. 12, 1866, the express train for Camden will be discontinued. The steamer will leave Pier No. 3, North River, daily, Sundays excepted, at 4 P. M., connecting with train for Manchester, Tom's River, Long Branch &c.

FREIGHT FOR CAMDEN and intermediate stations will be taken at 1 P. M., connecting on the 4 o'clock line, reaching Camden the next morning.

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Leave New-York for Perth Amboy and Woodbridge—7 and 10 A. M., 2, 4:10 and 6:40 P. M.
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Leave Woodbridge, 7, 9:30 A. M., 12:15, 4:10, 6:20 P. M.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 9:15 A. M., 12:25, 4:25, and 6:52 P. M. The 9:15 and 4:25 run through to Monsey. On Monday only for Piermont at 8:15 A. M. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

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IMPORTANT FROM VENEZUELA.

Murder of an American Captain and Several of His Crew—Revolution in the State of Apure—The Government Deposed—Disturbances in Maracaibo—Death of the American Consul—General Aspect of Affairs—The Finances, &c., &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

CARACAS, Friday, Jan. 12, 1866.

The recent "tremors of the earth" have not so shocked the people of this capital that they are not already quietly pursuing their usual avocations—building and rebuilding—hanging out their merchandise for sale by day and whirling and pirouetting o' nights, as though nothing had happened. Indeed, the earthquake was a very small affair, yet it startled many a poor soul from its propriety, and the published accounts of it have startled half the world, as though the fearful calamity of 1812 had been re-enacted. Here, however, all is tranquillity again—the products of the country pour into this lovely valley from over the surrounding mountains in continuous caravans, and the little mules that come to us in the morning burdened with coffee, cocoa, *papalon*, or *malojo*, return at night laden with merchandise or bestridden by their careless drivers, with their bony legs and huge feet dangling to the ground, and their pockets lined with *preciosa centavos*.

The little town is improving in every part, houses, stores, churches, fountains, &c., &c.—everything indicating life and progress. One hundred and fifty cart-loads of goods from Laguayra is about a daily average of imports.

Gen. FALCON, however, in whose favor Gen. PAEZ resigned the Government after the treaty of April, 1863, and who has ever since manifested the greatest possible distate for public affairs, has now finally retired to his seat in Coro, and is not expected to return to the Chief Magistracy again. The Government has suspended payment of "the lady's loan" of the BARINGS, offering to pay 15 instead of 50 per cent., as stipulated. But the holders have refused to accept it, and after a spirited newspaper and pamphlet controversy, which has been carried on heretofor about a year, they are demanding of the Queen's Government to enforce their claims. The French, in the meantime, have just swept the custom-houses of nearly the last dollar, by exacting a payment on their convention claims.

The foreign debt is now about twenty-nine millions of dollars, and the home debt something over forty millions—every month augmenting it—and yet there is not a statesman in the land who dares present these facts boldly to the people and propose a remedy. Every one seems to look to the Government for support, instead of regarding it as something they must constitute and sustain.

Revolutions and *pronunciamientos* are the order of the day in many of the Provinces. In the State of Apure, on the Upper Orinoco, the insurgents have overthrown the local government, and to the surprise and disgust of every one here the insurrectionary party has been recognized by the General Government as the rightful authority. In Maracaibo and five or six other of the States the same farce is being enacted. But in Apure, and indeed, all along the valley of the Orinoco, so remote from the Central Government, anarchy reigns supreme. On the 18th ultimo, the steamer *Apure*, officered and manned, and, I believe, owned by citizens of the United States, anchored at San Fernando, near Nutrias, landing the President of the Department, the General-in-Chief, JUAN B. GARCIA, with his Secretary, Col. FRANCISCO MONTEZ, and other chiefs and officials, and a body of troops, en route for Palmerito, an eastern Province of the State of Apure, and at 8 o'clock in the evening dropped down to the anchorage before the village of Apurito. Here they were boarded by a party of the insurgents, who seized Capt. HAMER, his mate, Mr. BRISSOT, and the first engineer, Mr. COFFER, forcing them on shore, and finally murdering them in the streets. RAPHEL ARISTEGNITA, THOMAS CALDERON, ESTEBON SALOM and others, who had accompanied them from the steamer, fled for their lives, and miraculously escaped. The next day Mr. SALOM recovered the body of Capt. HAMER, and proceeded to have it embalmed for the purpose of forwarding it to his family. The American Minister at Caracas has demanded an investigation of the whole affair, but the Government is powerless to make any reparation, and have even recognized the insurgents as the Government *de facto*. Capt. HAMER and his mate are both spoken of as inoffensive and most amiable men, and their fate seems to be very generally deplored. The steamer is abandoned.

The American Consul at Maracaibo is dead, and those at Puerto Cabello and Laguayra have both been seriously ill, but are recovering.

Gen. PAEZ, who is now resident at New-York, has lately published the *Military Maxims of Napoleon I.*, with additional notes. It is said that large editions of them are in circulation elsewhere, but few, if any, have found their way here. If they could be had in Caracas, Puerto Cabello, Maracaibo or elsewhere, they would be caught up with avidity.

Dr. MICHELINA has gone to Madrid to produce his very full and voluminous reports of his explorations of the Orinoco and the Amazon. Why does not our Government act upon the proposition which has been made to them to explore the Orinoco? The country is almost in a state of nature, and rich in all the valuable products of the tropics, with unparalleled facilities for commerce. Gums, spices, dyestuffs and the precious metals lie upon the very surface of the earth in rich profusion, and even petroleum (the modern god of our idolatry) exists in vast lakes along the shores. EXCELSIOR.

SOUTH AMERICA.

The Declaration of War—Raising the Blockade on the Coast of Chili—The Quarrel Between Chili and Uruguay.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Monday, Feb. 12, 1866.

The steamer *Chili* brings dates from Valparaiso and Santiago to Jan. 17, and Callao and Lima to the 28th.

PERU.

There is not much to add to the news of the declaration of war and alliance offensive and defensive of Peru with Chili against Spain, furnished you by last mail. The ardor of the people has cooled considerably since they have begun to reflect how much Peru is likely to lose and how little to gain by a war with Spain. The loss of her profitable trade, of coast property and towns, and the great probability that she will lose the Chinchas, from which she now gets sixteen millions of dollars a year, are all to be set down against any glory she may obtain in harrassing the Spanish dispatch and supply boats, and the picking up occasionally a Spanish merchantman.

PRADO, the Dictator, is working indefatigably in ferreting out and remedying abuses that have been so many years creeping into the administration of the Government. He promises to remedy the shameful abuses in connection with the landing of cargo at Callao.

A head-tax law has been decreed, for the collection of the value of so many day's work per annum from every Peruvian, to be rated according to his position.

The United States gunboat *Wateres* was at Callao.

There is no news from Ecuador.

CHILI.

In raising the blockade in all the ports except Valparaiso, the commander of the Spanish fleet burned the five or six Chilian prizes he had taken. It puzzles the Valparaiso papers to tell what significance there is in this movement. The *Comercio* says: "The Spanish Admiral may intend to send an *ultimatum* to the Chilli Government, threatening the destruction of Valparaiso first, and other towns on the coast following. This will not bring the people or government of this republic one inch nearer yielding to Spain. On the contrary, the news by last mail of the assured sympathies of all Europe and America has encouraged every heart in the country against Spain, and the Spaniards are become the object of a spirit of revenge which a century of peace or political reconciliation will not remove, and whether they may be able to assert it or not, nothing will now effect any such political reconciliation satisfactory to Chili but the apology of Spain and the payment of ample damages."

It is not known where the Chilian fleet may now be—but they are on the look out to cut off supplies from the Spaniards, and to effect a junction with the Peruvian fleet.

Business continues very dull, and little confidence prevails. Shipments of wheat from the Southern ports are urged on; Australia still gets considerable shipments. One thing is sure, Spain can never interfere with our "seed time and harvest," nor till she gets out three times the fleet she has, can she stop our export of produce.

Copper does not stand at its late speculative prices, and sales are slow even at reduced rates.

The Chilian papers are very indignant because the Government of Uruguay had canceled the *exequatur* of the Chilian Minister. The Buenos Ayres *Standard* gives the fairest statement of the dispute that I have seen; but perhaps you have already published it from the news you got by the Rio Janeiro steamer. It says: "The Government of Montgrideo had resolved on prohibiting corsairs, and Señor LASTARRIA, the Chilian Minister, in an angry parley had the insolence to return the Government note, whereupon Gov. VIDAL very properly canceled the Chilian Envoy's *exequatur*. The correspondence is too long for translation, but we will briefly review the contents of the various letters exchanged.

On Nov. 9, Sr. LASTARRIA being then in Montevideo, requested permission from Government for corsairs to bring into that port and dispose of whatever prizes they might make among Spanish merchantmen. To this the Government replied on the 16th, emphatically prohibiting the sale of any prizes in any of the ports of the Republic. The Chilian Minister then returned to Buenos Ayres, and, under date Nov. 20, insisted in a long hy note that the Government would just as well maintain a strict neutrality by allowing corsairs. Sr. CASTRO replied on the 27th, showing that it was no loss the right than the convenience of Montevideo to prevent the pretensions of the Chilian agent; and Sr. LASTARRIA (having now removed to the Tigre) sent a second more urgent representation, dated Dec. 1, to which the Government again replied on the 12th inst., expressing much surprise at the uncalled-for language of the Chilian Minister. Hereupon Sr. LASTARRIA took mortal umbrage, and on the 15th sent back the note of the Montevidean Government, requesting His Excellency Sr. CASTRO to c hange some offensive phrases which he could not admit.

The Montevidean Government had but one course to follow, and the following decree, bearing date Dec. 21, has met with the unanimous approval of the press:

"Whereas, His Excellency Sr. LASTARRIA, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Chili, in his dealings with the Government respecting this pretensions for the sale of s ch Spanish prizes as may be taken by Chilian corsairs, has used language both intemperate and unusual to diplomatic customs; which cannot be defended on the ground of zeal for the interests of his country, since he should never fail in the respect due to a national sovereignty;

And, moreover, that Sr. LASTARRIA'S note of the 15th inst., returning that of the Government, is a new and unusual pretension which the dignity of the Government cannot admit;

And finally, that the attitude of the Chilian envoy utterly prevents the continuance, through him, of relations of harmony and friendship between Montevideo and Chili, which it is our purpose to conse idate.

The Provincial Government decrees:

First—The *Exequatur* of Señor LASTARRIA is hereby withdrawn.

Second—The Minister of Foreign Affairs will explain to the Chilian Government the motives which have reluctantly called for this measure.

Third—Let the whole correspondence be published, as well as the decree on prizes.

(Here follow the signatures of the Governor and four Ministers.)

The decree relative to prizes prohibits:

First—The construction of corsairs in any port of the Republic.

Second—The sale of prizes by either belligerent.

Third—The delay of Chilian or Spanish war-vessels for more than twenty-four hours in any port.

Fourth—The conveyance of contraband of war on Montevidean bottom.

Fifth—The intervention of Montevidean citizens for either belligerent.

The *Standard* congratulates the Montevidean Government on its dignified rejection of Sr. LASTARRIA'S extravagant pretensions, and feels confident the Argentine Government will adopt a similar course should he attempt to "try it on" there.

UNITED STATES OF COLOMBIA.

The Panama Railroad—An Offer for its Sale to British Capitalists—Letter from Gen. Mosquera—The Mines.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Monday, Feb. 12, 1866.

The British mail steamer that reached Aspinwall on the 3d inst., from Carthagena, brought some items of great interest not only to us here but to many in the United States. The most important one is contained in a letter from Gen. MOSQUERA, President-elect of this Republic, who was at the time of its date in London—that of an offer of British capitalists to purchase the Panama Railroad. It is known that the first term of the present New-York Company for 20 years, at which time it must either get a prolongation of its charter or sell the road to this Government for five millions of dollars, expires in the year 1875—nine years hence. The road has so far cost the Company about $8,000,000, and it will take $2,000,000 more to make the improvements contemplated by the Company, (in case it gets an extension,) to say nothing of a double track, which m y be needed in a few years.

Last Winter Col. GEORGE M. TOTTEN, the Company's able manager here, went to Bogota to negotiate an extension in perpetuity, I believe, of the charter, and made very liberal offers to get it. He offered, first, to give the Colombian Government, cash down, $800,000; second, to increase the capital stock to $6,800,000, of which $1,800,000 was to be apportioned to this Republic. He also agreed that there should be a deduction of ten per cent. on the freight of all the products of this country—Colombian mails, civil and military officers, material of war, soldiers, &c., of the Republic, to be transported free from charge. This treaty was agreed to by the Executive, but after a prolonged discussion, defeated in Congress by its opponents purposely absenting themselves, when the vote came up, to prevent a quorum.

It appears that Gen. MOSQUERA, Colombian Minister to London, was instructed to solicit a better offer than that of Col. TOTTEN'S from European capitalists, the result of which he states in the following note to the Secretary of the Treasury at Bogota:

To the Secretary of the Treasury:

In accordance with my instructions I have been occupied in establishing the basis on which to negotiate advantageously the *reserves* of the Panama Railroad, and I proceed to render account to the Government of the result of my endeavors. I have received proposals which include the following conditions: The Government shall receive five millions of dollars to pay the present Company with, in 1874, as price of the railroad, according to the contract; they shall, further, receive the $800,000, which Mr. TOTTEN had offered, and $1,800,000 beside in cash, instead of the same sum in shares; Colombia shall further receive the profits corresponding to $5,000,000, which represent the value of the road, it being well understood that the mail business is entirely for the nation. The republic shall bind itself to grant to the new company the privilege for the time which is still unexpired for the present one, and prolong it for sixty years more, after which period the railroad shall be national property. I do not doubt that the Government will find great advantages for the nation in these terms of the contract, and I suppose that they will bring them to the knowledge of the American Company, in order to endeavor to obtain from them still more advantageous conditions. I shall bring with me all the data of this transaction. MOSQUERA.

LONDON, Nov. 9, 1866.

If the General has received *bona fide* offers for the road, as stated above, and the capitalists will give security to abide by them, he has not even then driven so good a bargain as appears on the face of it. Nine years is a long time in these unsteady "Republics"—and a good many things may happen in that time. Besides, "Colombia shall further receive the profits corresponding to five millions of dollars that represent the value of the road," is rather indefinite, unless the new contractors will stipulate whether the new capital stock shall be five millions or fifty millions. The $1,800,000 in cash, instead of 18,000 shares of stock, as offered by Col. TOTTEN, is, in view of the present price of the stock, (say at least $170 in gold per share,) $1,000,000 *less* than the Colonel's proposition on that item.

The loss for nine years of the interest on the $500,000 and the dividends on the 18,000 shares of stock, amounting, if the product is annually invested, to five millions of dollars or more, is quite an important item to this needy Republic, which the General does not seem to take into account.

On the whole, taking into consideration the immediate needs of the country, and the fact that a "bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," I believe Col. TOTTEN'S offer is the best one—and the Government people and Congressmen at Bogota, most of whom would prefer one dollar now rather than wait nine years for two dollars, will be apt to reflect well upon that trite truth.

The next matter of interest from the interior is another letter of Gen. MOSQUERA. It is in the form of a circular to his friends, "from whom he has received so many letters that he finds it impossible to answer them individually." This circular is a threat against the conservative party, that if they attempt to prevent his taking possession of the Presidential chair on the 1s of April, they will find that perdition which they have so industriously sought. He says, further, that if they make war against him, their property shall pay all the expenses. "The 1st of April," he says, "will see me the constitutional President; and if Congress is prevented from assembling at Bogota, I shall take the oath before the citizens where I may happen to be, and shall commence to govern in accordance with the Constitution and the law for the communities and citizens who are obedient to the national authority." In another paragraph he holds out this inducement to his enemies to become his friends: "I cannot leave now for Colombia, because I must wait for my two steamers, one of 700 tons and the other of 500 tons, with a park sufficient to raise the army to 20,000 men."

It is reported that the General would leave France on the 5th of February for the port of Santa Maria, in the State of Magdalena. Gen. S. LOPEZ, with a guard of 100 men from Bogota, has been waiting at Santa Marta since the 24th of January, to conduct the President elect to the capital.

The chances, in the meantime, are decidedly in favor of the General's occupying the Presidential chair at the appointed time without the opposition he anticipates, as the whole country was never more quiet or exhibited less signs of disquietude than now.

The State of Panama continues in peace. Our people are getting the gold fever good and strong, and the hardy-looking fellows from California, that are waiting at our hotels for transportation to the mines of Barbacoas, in our neighboring State of Cauca, are adding to the excitement. About fifty of these Californians had reached the mines at our last accounts, but had not yet got to work. It is said that five men who are working take out from fifty to sixty pounds of gold a week.

I would not advise a rush to these mines, however rich they may be, at present. The country in which they are situated is but little settled, and those even who have plenty of money will find there but few of the necessaries and none of the comforts of life. The climate is hot and not over-healthy, and a man with the fever, with no money, and consequently with no friends, will find himself in that out-of-the-way region in a decidedly bad fix. The route is from Panama to Tumaco by steamer, 400 miles South, passage I think about $40. From Tumaco you go along the coast a few miles in a bungo, and then 40 miles up a river with a very rapid current. It takes the bungo eight days to make the passage. The price from Tumaco to the mining region was formerly $3, but the arrival of fifty miners had raised it to $16. So if three or four hundred miners should suddenly land at Tumaco, probably one-half of them would find themselves without facilities; and if they decided to stay there, without the means to reach the new Dorado, and would leave their bones on the beach.

An intelligent gentleman resident at Tumaco gives the Panama *Star* the following in relation to the mines:

"The town of Barbacoas, round which the mines are located, at present contains about 2,000 inhabitants, principally negroes, and the entire district about 6,000. It is some forty miles from the port of Tumaco, and is reached by canoes, the time occupied in the journey being six or eight days, as the canoes make but little progress against the strong current. Hitherto many of the natives have made their living by gold hunting, but they have worked in such a slovenly way that their earnings rarely exceed $12 to $16 per month. Provisions are brought in considerable quantities from Pasto, by the Indians, and jerked beef and potatoes can generally be procured at fair prices. The cost of everything is however rising, in view of the influx of foreigners, of whom there are now about fifty at the mines, and the transportation of passengers from Tumaco to Barbacoas has recently, been raised from $3 to $16. Most of the necessaries can be procured at Tumaco, but some light woolen clothing, tents and mining implements would be useful articles to take along. A great deal of rain falls at the mines, and on the river, but India-rubber clothing would prove of little service, unless it be a blanket which could be used as such at night, and as a poncho in the day-time. Mosquitos are large, numerous and troublesome, so that a net is a desirable article. Thus far no quartz mines have been discovered, those worked being placer diggings, which exist extensively all over the country. A party of five Californians who went there some three months ago, are now doing very favorably. They entered into a contract with the owner of a mine to work it on joint account, giving him half At first they took out from four to fifteen pounds per week, but since they commenced tunneling they are realizing from fifty to sixty pounds weekly, and our informant is satisfied that men who understand the business are steady and can keep their health, will get with great success. Of those who have already gone there several have been laid up with fever and grown discouraged, while others get on well.

Eighty-nine more miners reached here to-day for Barbacoas, by the California steamer, which is another proof that the "fools are not all dead yet." And the fact that a carpenter here is about to dispatch a lot of coffins to the mines, is proof that we have one sane man among us.

DAVID HOADLEY, Esq., President of the Panama Railroad Company, and Col. Gen. M. TOTTEN, Chief Engineer and manager of the road, on the Isthmus, go to New-York in to-day's steamer. Mr. BARTLETT, one of the Directors of the Company, has gone to Central America.

The United States sloop-of-war *St. Marys* is here, and the United States gunboat *James Adger* at Aspinwall. The latter goes to Carthagena to-night.

OUR HAVANA CORRESPONDENCE.

News from Mexico—Two American Sailors in an Open Boat Near Porto Rico—Their Account—Imprisoned by the Spanish Authorities—The Carnival—New Tariff for Cuba to Come into Operation on April 1.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Feb. 17, 1866.

The news received from Mexico becomes scarcer and scarcer by each arrival, and as there is nothing to prove that a diminution of events has taken place in that unfortunate country, one is led to surmise that the aspect of things is not in the most favorable condition for MAXIMILIAN and the Imperial Government. There are many causes that induce one to form some such opinion. The newspapers of the capital, Mexico City, have lately exhibited a marked degree of reserve in their editorials and news columns, no doubt the sensitive force of the Imperial Government having been used to some effect, and the mail steamers have actually brought no newspapers at all from Vera Cruz, a deficiency so glaring as to excite even the observations of the *Diario de la Marina* of this city, a journal which has always exhibited an inclination toward the Imperial Government of Mexico, in accordance, no doubt, with instructions from higher quarters in the island. The news that I have to send about Mexican affairs, as received here by the last two mail steamers from Vera Cruz, may be said to amount to almost nothing.

The steamer *Paris*, of the new Spanish line between this port and Vera Cruz, arrived at the beginning of the week, and the news that it brings is brief and unimportant. Bagdad is officially stated to have been occupied by Mr. KODOLICH, at the head of 200 Austrians, the Americans having been withdrawn on the receipt of Gen. MEJIA'S protest, who sent a telegraphic dispatch to Gen. BAZAINE, informing him that all was quiet in that neighborhood.

A guerrilla chief named PANTOJA was killed by the inhabitants of Chucandiro on the 24th ult., of whom he had demanded $2,000; but on the following day another guerrilla chief named RANGEL entered the place, with 100 men, and committed, by Imperial accounts, all sorts of depredations.

The railroad between Puebla and Mexico City was making considerable progress; the greater part of the sleepers and rails from Apexaco to the capital had been laid down.

There are official accounts of engagements with the Republicans in various parts of the country, the Imperialists boasting almost always of having put their opponents to flight; but their successes go no further. The Mexicans, like the ancient Parthians, only flee to return again. As a matter of course, the French soldiers are about pretty well tired out with this game of warfare, in which they obtain neither honor nor profit, and will hail the news of NAPOLEON'S intention to evacuate Mexico joyfully. Of the many French soldiers who pass through this city on their way home to *la belle France*, I never came across one who did not express disgust at the military service in Mexico. To recapitulate, therefore, the accounts given in the Mexican papers of the capital of this engagement and the other engagement would be a useless task, as they all amount to nothing decisive, and might go on for eternity without producing any certain results. They may all be answered with the Roman Prætor's question, "*Cui bono?*" For example, here is one of the official accounts, similar to so many others:

Gen. RIVAS, military commander of Mazatlan, in a dispatch dated the 2d inst., states that on the preceding day a force of 300 cavalry, commanded by the guerrilla chief LEONARDO PINTADO, approached Palos-Priestos, and was defeated by an advanced guard which was there. He adds that as soon as he heard of the affair he put himself at the head of the rest of his brigade and set out for the purpose of protecting the above-named advanced guard and to attack the enemy, sending word to Col. ROTO, military commander of the place, of his movement, the latter immediately presenting himself at Palos-Prietos with 100 men of his forces. The two then combined in an attack upon the enemy, which did not turn out as it ought to have done, because the enemy, as usual, took to flight, firing in their retreat upon the troops that were pursuing them, killing five and wounding an officer and a private. The enemy had one officer and eight soldiers killed and two wounded, besides two being taken prisoners by the Imperialists, with some arms and military effects.

At Tlacotalpam the Republican Commander VASQUEZ ALDANA had seized and sentenced to death several robbers belonging to a gang of banditti entitled OLMO'S band. The Commander-in-Chief of the Eastern line, Gen. CARBAJAL, had approved of the act with the following words: "Who had changed the honored name of defenders of the Republican cause, in whose ranks they had succeeded in entering, when their bad intentions were not known, for that of highway robbers." The *Boletin Oficial*, a Jnarist paper, says if all the enemy's commanders would act like Gen. GARCIA, public safety and the tranquility of the country would be great gainers.

The *Pajaro del Oceano* arrived a few days ago from Porto Rico, St. Domingo and Hayti, but brings no news of importance. The only item of intelligence of any interest is an account of the capture of two American sailors by the Spanish naval authorities off the coast of Porto Rico. They were taken on the night of the 29th ult., while in a boat, five or six miles from the harbor, and said they had deserted from an American ship, which had gone to St. Thomas for provisions, on account of the bad treatment of the captain. The American Vice-Consul was engaged in examining into the truth of their account and in the meanwhile they were kept in prison. The boat in which they were found was hardly four yards in length, and they had with them some provisions.

The carnival with its licentiousness, its assassinations, its robberies and a thousand other social vices, has played out its abominable and we have now returned to the sober routine of ordinary life, not but that we are to have another carnival to-morrow, but not on so great a scale, the masquerading and diversion being confined to the public ball-rooms. The renewal of the carnival the Sunday following is called here the *pasada*, and I think is peculiar to Cuba, or at least not followed on the Continent of Europe. The masking is, however, as I said before, only in the ball-room, and the amusement only therefore begins with the night. Notwithstanding the murders and robberies, and there were some of the first and plenty of the latter, the Habaneros contrived to have a good time of it so far as diversion allowed. Of dancing, there was any amount, every place of amusement, including the Tacon Theatre, being opened as a ball-room. At the last-named place the opera of the night was succeeded by the masquerade ball. GRAU, the opera *empresario*, at first objected to it but afterward complied. He and the Havana *dilettanti* are getting on better together; there is still some grumbling, but no repetition of the late disturbance has again taken place. From the amount of dancing that was done during the carnival, nobody would suppose that there is an intention to start in Havana a young men's anti-dancing society, yet such we are gravely told in the *Siglo* is about to be inaugurated, and that in a few days. Whether it will be successful or not *sous serrons*.

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It is not true that the General, or even his little boy, went to the Museum to behold Moses in his gorgeous spectaculum, nor do we credit the rumor that he paid an incog. visit to the studio of the "distinguished artist," Mr. ——. The party visited GURNEY'S establishment, and five negatives were taken of the General in different positions. From one of them a life-size portrait will be made, as a pendant to the one of SCOTT, which now hangs in their window, and painted by CONSTANT MEYER.

In the afternoon, at 6, Gen. GRANT drove to the house of the Union Club, where a party of one hundred and twenty-eight gentlemen, members of the Club, met him at dinner. It was an exceedingly quiet, well-managed affair, very little toadyism and no boresome speeches. The reason has long been noted for its good dinners, its freedom from entangling alliances with politics, its pleasant reunions, its cosy meetings, its genial gatherings; and with the solitary exception of the barrier that prevents the introduction of a city friend to the table, it is but fair to say that it stands head and shoulders above its more pretentious and less elegant rivals.

TO-DAY.

Gen. GRANT has a hard task before him. Hosts of veteran bores will buttonhole him, squads of wealthy merchants who wouldn't have loaned him a tenpence three years since will dance attendance upon him, scores of reverend fathers will ask the pleasure of "shaking his honest hand," autograph gatherers will beg the favor of his sign manual, patriotic citizens will desire to lay before him their little suggestions, politicians will pull him and toadies will have him all day long; and in the evening he is to have a grand reception at the rooms of the League, on Union-square. The house which furnishes the headquarters of the Club has no room large enough to admit the crowd that will attend the reception, and for that purpose an addition of wood has been made in the rear, some 50 by 70 feet in size and 20 feet high. The walls are covered with muslin and ornamented with golden stars; the ceiling is formed of folds of the national colors, radiating from a gilt sun in the centre, and the folds are also studded with stars. From the centre-piece depends a basket of flowers; eight gilt and chased chandeliers furnish what is sometimes called "a flood" of light. These chandeliers are ornamented with flowers in a continuous wreath, which connects all the eight. Near the upper corners of the walls, on each side of the room, there are attached to the margin of the folds which comprise the ceiling, but do not form a canopy, many national flags in festoons. The side walls are also decorated with parlor mantels, mantel mirrors, upright mirrors, and paintings. A very pretty piece of decoration is a fountain, which occupies the centre of the floor. The standard of the fountain represents a section of a forest tree, and in the oval inclosure there are to be flowers, shrubs, an orange tree, &c. The fountain itself consists of many jets, which play around a crystal temple, in the form of a temple of liberty. From the base there are numerous gas jets.

The word reception may mean a reception, a ball, a crush, almost anything now-a-days; and whether on this occasion the reception will refer to an hour or two's handshaking, or to the receiving of SCOTT'S portrait, or to a pleasant greeting extended by a hospitable club to a worthy guest, we do not know. We learn that but few tickets are issued, and that the affair will be quite select—whatever that may mean. A presentation of FAGI'S portrait of Gen. SCOTT will be made by letter, and a letter of acceptance will be read in reply; beyond this and the line and a half speech which the General is expected to make, the reception will probably present no features of public interest. It is said that Gen. GRANT will attend the great mass meeting at Cooper Institute, where the people will gather by thousands to indorse the Presidential veto, and encourage the heart of steadfast ANDY JOHNSON. Should he do so, he will meet a reception worthy of the name from the lips and hands of an enthusiastic and demonstrative people.

Arrivals in the City.

Hon. G. A. Henderson, Washington; Hon. J. R. McBride, Oregon; Judge Harrington, Nevada; Judge Fred. D. Hughes, Jr., Hartford; Hon. J. M. Merriman, Hartford; Col. Tom M. Allen, Florida; Col. O. B. Babcock, U. S. A., and Col. O. Porter, U. S. A., are at the Metropolitan.

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